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AT the suggestion of Dr. Irion of Elmhurst, the first edition of "A Missionary Who's Who for Our Evangelical Church" was gotten out in 1918; the second in 1924. The present is the third

Numerous changes have taken place, in the personnel as well as in the extent of our work.

One of the missionary families enumerated in 1918, the Nottrotts, have made their permanent home in the United States. The Wagoners, after their furlough in 1921-22, returned to India in connection with the leper work of another Mission. Miss Diefenthaler has been detained in the home country on account of her health condition. The two senior workers, Andrew Stoll and A. Hagenstein, were called to their eternal home. Rev. F. A. Goetsch and wife accepted the call to remain in this country since 1928, Brother Goetsch serving as Associate Secretary of the Board.

In the place of all of these, and in addition to them, new workers were called whose portraits and brief biographies are given in the body of this booklet, bringing the number of our Indian missionary staff (in the spring of 1929) to thirty-six—twelve ordained men, two medical men, fourteen missionaries' wives, eight unmarried women.

Another notable change, and one of distinct progress, is the addition of another mission field, Honduras, occupied since Jan. 1, 1920. The staff of this new field increases our list of workers by three married couples and six unmarried women, a total of twelve. Unfortunately, on account of ill health Rev. H. A. Dewald and wife had to withdraw in 1928, as had Mrs. Melick in 1924.

Regarding these 48 people, in India and Honduras, we repeat what was said in the former Who's Who:

What a fine thing it would be if a Get-Together-Meeting between our missionary force and every one of our churches could be arranged. It would, no doubt, result in redoubled efforts, both on the part of the churches and that of the workers. Since such a meeting is manifestly impossible, the next best thing is herewith undertaken. The following pages, figuratively, take each one of the missionaries by the hand, let him or her make a little bow, present you with their photograph and offer a brief sketch of their life story.

May the perusal lead all of us, as we think more frequently than ever of our dear foreign workers, to say with new definiteness:

"Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love."

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Brief Biographical Sketches
of the
MISSION WORKERS
of the
Evangelical Synod of North America

I said, "Let me walk in the fields."
He said, "No, walk in the town."
I said, "There are no flowers there."
He said, "No flowers, but a crown."
I said, "The clouds are black there is nothing but noise and din,"
He wept as he sent me back, "There is more," he said, "There is sin."
I said, "The fog is thick and the clouds are veiling the sun."
He said, "Yet souls are sick and souls in the dark undone."
I said, "I shall miss the light, and friends will miss ME, *they say."*
He said, "Choose tonight if I *shall miss you and* THEY."
I pleaded for time to be given,
He said, "Is it hard to decide?
It will not be hard in Heaven
To have followed the steps of your guide."
I cast one look at the fields
Then turned my face to the town
He said, "My child, will you yield,
Will you leave the flowers for the crown?"
Then into His hand went mine
And into my heart came He
And I walked the path divine
The path I had feared to see.—Selected.

I. INDIA

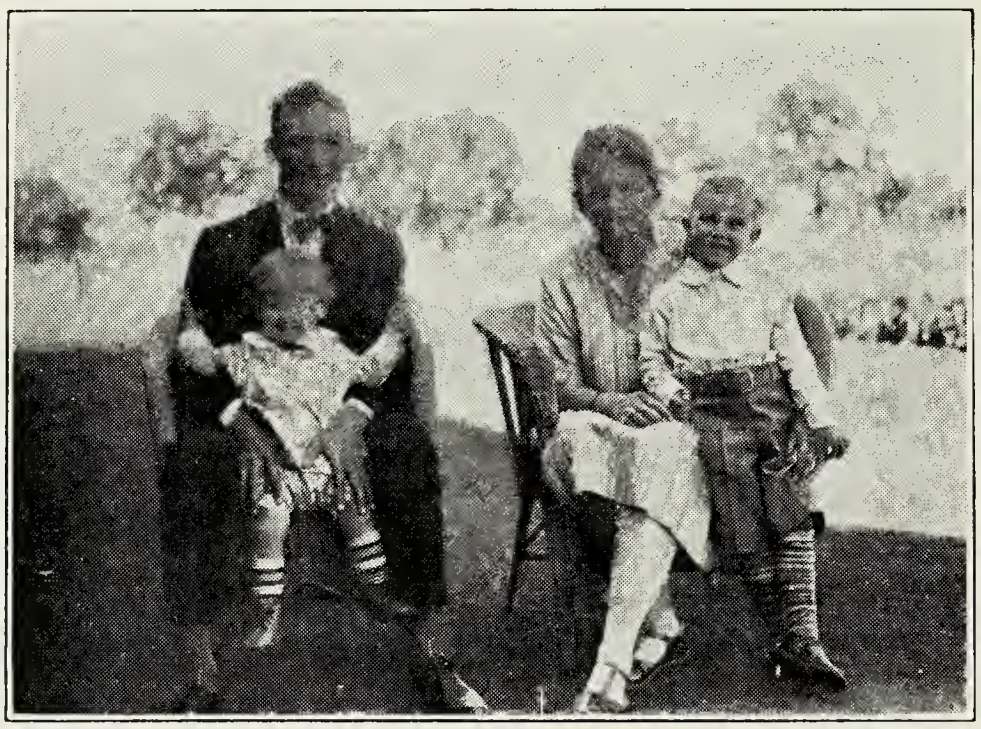
MARTIN ALBRECHT

I was born Nov. 7, 1899, at High Ridge, a small country parish not far from St. Louis. When I was but a few months old my parents moved to Ohio, then to Iowa, and finally to Minnesota. Thus it happened that I attended five different public schools before I was graduated from the eighth grade. At one time, when we lived in the country, my father thought it better to send me to the town school, which was five miles away, than to the country school. As I was only a boy of about ten at that time, it was quite a walk to go that far to school every morning. I like to think of the kind soul along the way who had a habit of calling me in, occasionally, for refreshments.

After graduating from the public schools, my father who was a pastor gave me a year of religious instruction, and then sent

me to Elmhurst with my older brother. My ambitions were however not to be realized there, for I wanted to be a farmer or a mechanic. Had it not been for the watchful eye of my brother, I would, no doubt, have left the school.

For the first vacation I went home, but when I came back to school, my ambitions had not changed. It was during this time that I met a man who had a peculiar influence on my life. The man was not religious, at least he never attended church, but his



Mr. and Mrs. M. Albrecht

character was a makeup of kindness and goodness. He was able to understand my difficulties, and he carried me over them as only a father can.

The next vacation I was to be given a chance to try out working on a farm. Soon after I came home from school a man came one day and asked me to help him on the farm, because labor was not to be had. This, of course, I gladly did. If milking cows, making hay and plowing was work, I do not think that I ever enjoyed work more than I did in this case. Still, when fall came, I went back to school and finished the prescribed course.

After graduating from Elmhurst I went to Eden with the majority of the class. The atmosphere was different indeed. In place of all the old rules and regulations, one was given liberty. The influence was enlivening. Going to school became a real joy.

To trace the missionary idea in my life would be rather difficult, if not altogether impossible. I cannot ascribe its development to any person or place. The thought was harbored for years.

Thus it was but natural that I should offer my services to the Mission Board upon the completion of my Eden school days. It was the time just after the World War, when new men were needed badly, and so I was soon accepted.

After the close of the school year I began getting everything ready for the trip. A good helpmeet was among the many requirements. Such a one I found in the person of Miss Ruth Hackmann of St. Louis. The next fall found us on our way to India. After a six weeks trip from San Francisco we landed in Calcutta, and were met by Rev. Goetsch. He very kindly assisted us in the many things that had to be attended to, and then took us into the interior.

For our language study we were stationed at Bisrampur with Rev. and Mrs. Goetsch. At the end of that first year we were sent to the jungle station of Mahasamund, where we remained until 1928, when we substituted for Rev. John H. Schultz and wife in the superintendency of the Leper Asylum at Chandkuri. Our own first furlough began in March, 1929.

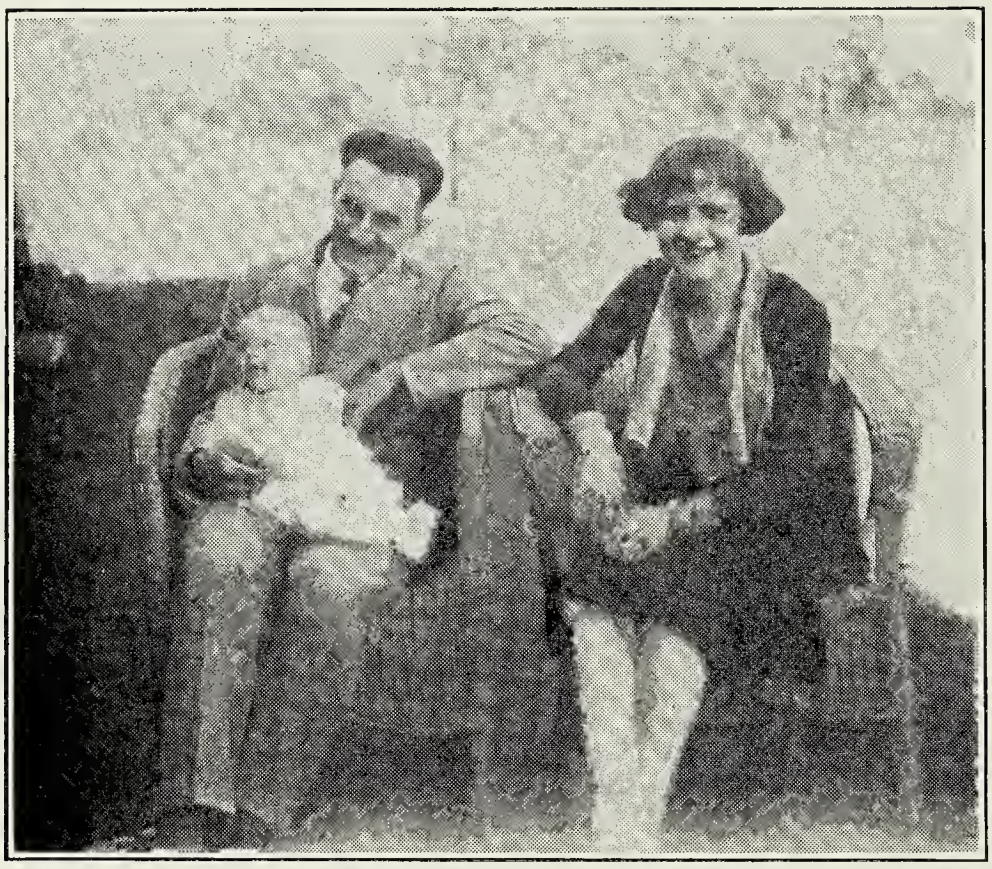
WILLIAM THEODORE BAUR

William Theodore Baur, the son of Professor W. L. Baur of Eden Seminary at Webster Groves, Mo., was born on the 23rd day of November, 1901, in Rochester, N. Y. About three years later, he had his first real trip when his parents took him along to the seminary which at that time was located on St. Charles Rock Road, near Wellston, Mo. There he grew up amidst a surrounding that was a constant reminder of things spiritual and ecclesiastical. His father never encouraged him directly to become a minister or a missionary; but in the daily devotions, that were as regular a part of the life of the family as the daily meals, prayers for missions and the coming of our Lord's kingdom were never omitted.

No doubt, the Sunday school and the catechetical instructions he received in the little church of St. Peter's, near the Seminary, did their share towards leading the young mind in the direction of life-service in the cause of our Lord. It was no surprise to the family when he asked his father for the permission to go to Elmhurst. There he joined a little band of volunteers declaring his purpose, if God should permit, to become a foreign missionary.

Thus, his father found out for the first time, after many years of patient waiting, that his intention of becoming a missionary was still uppermost in his mind. After he had studied at Eden for two years, he availed himself of the privilege to go out and serve in a congregation for one year. It was a step in the right direction, and the things he learned at Fort Madison, Ia., helped him along wonderfully.

After finishing his studies and graduating in 1925, he was ready to go to India. But, to his surprise, he was told that at the present time there was no opening for him. He was advised



Mr. & Mrs. William Theodore Baur

to continue his studies at the Washington University. So he lived with his parents, pursuing his studies at the university, and preaching at Lixburg and High Hill, Mo. During that year, he met the young lady who, within a much shorter period than he ever expected, was to become his partner for life. She was Miss Alby Axthelm, the daughter of an Evangelical family in Webster Groves, Mo., who was born on the 12th day of February, 1908, and had intended, originally, to become an Evangelical deaconess. Her parents were very closely affiliated, for years, with different churches in and around St. Louis, Mo., and maintain, to this day, a very lively interest in our Synod, which has been deepened by her daughter marrying an Evangelical missionary. The young girl

met her future husband while she, too, was studying at Washington University; and, as we have seen, she also was willing from her early youth to devote her life to the service of her fellow men and her Master.

After a short year of waiting, the young pastor was informed that he would be sent to India in the fall of 1926. So he got married, and the two youthful and enthusiastic people were commissioned September 12 at Eden Emanuel Church, St. Louis, to spend their lives together on our Indian mission field. They left for that distant country the same month and year. God has blessed their union with two children: William Frederick and Ralph John.

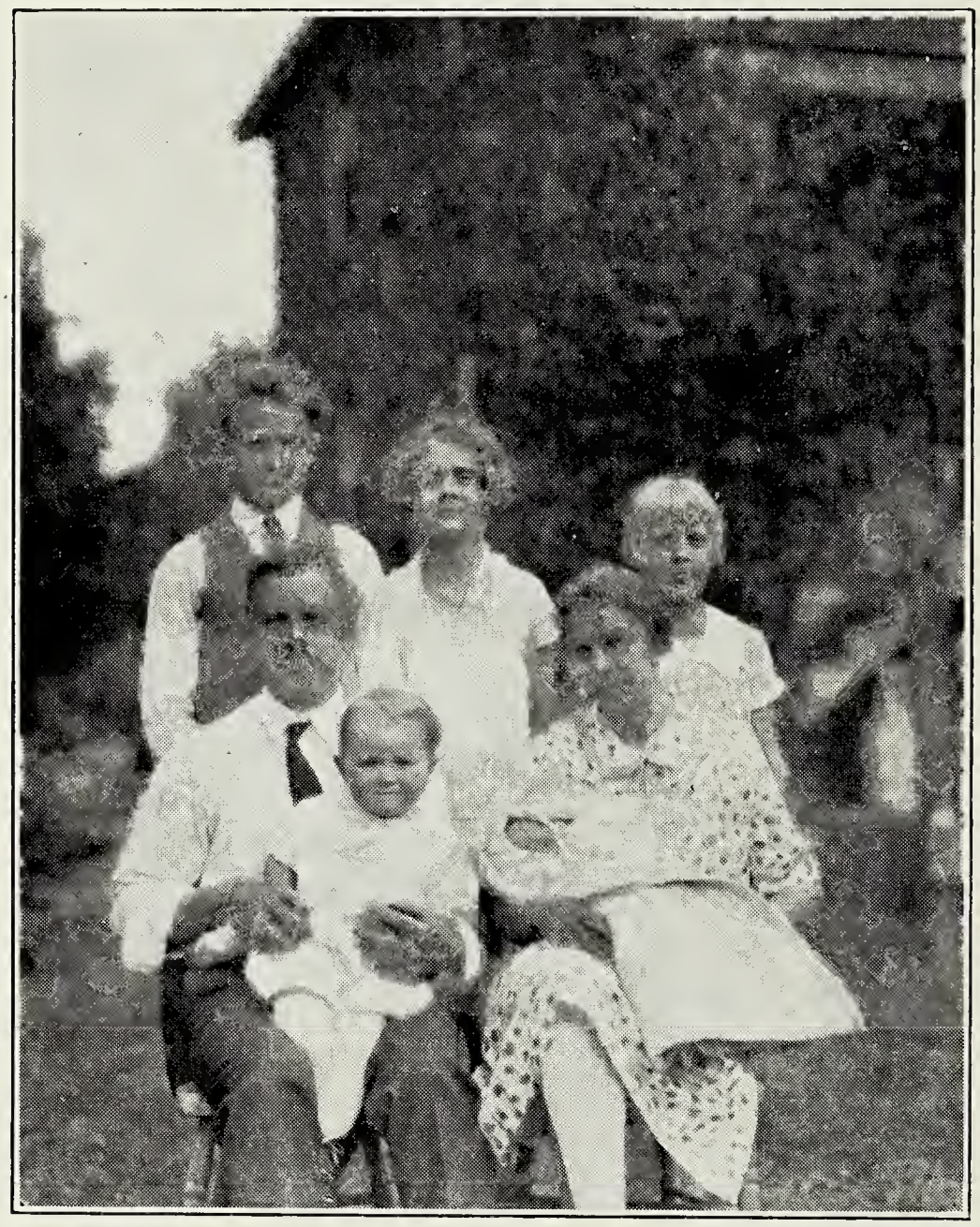
Just one remark in closing. When they came to India they did not only meet a number of strangers in that strange country; by no means. They were welcomed gladly by close relatives, Mrs. John Koenig, at present located at Bisrampur, being the new missionary's sister. God bless them and our work.

MARTIN P. DAVIS

Martin P. Davis was born July 20th, 1884, in Freeport, Ill.; after attending parochial school seven years and public school several years he entered Elmhurst College in September, 1900. From here he was graduated in June, 1904, and entered Eden Theological Seminary at St. Louis, Mo., in the fall of the same year. During the summer of 1906 he acted as temporary superintendent of our Evangelical Asylum for the Epileptic, at St. Charles, Mo. In June, 1907, he was graduated from the Seminary and went to Europe, where he remained two years for practical and theoretical study of social work, as carried on by the Church and various Christian agencies. Thus he spent 12 months as nurse at the Bodelschwingh Colony of Mercy, and worked among the epileptics, the insane, in the hospital for surgical cases and in the labor colony. During these months he was also student at the Bielefeld Theological Seminary, and was several times appointed delegate to various conferences in the interest of social, Home, and Foreign Mission work. For two terms he attended Leipsic University, and before returning to this country he spent five months traveling in various countries of Europe.

In June, 1909, he was appointed pastor of a country church

at Haubstadt, Ind., where he remained two years and then received a call from the church in Bellevue, Ky. In the spring of 1912 he answered the call to go to India. After his marriage to Miss Edna Schaufele of Bellevue, Ky., the trip to India was made via London and Edinburgh, where consultation was held with the leaders of the Mission to Lepers. At Chandkuri, India, Mr. and



Martin P. Davis and family

Mrs. Davis took charge of the Leper Asylum, where Mr. W. Anderson had worked so successfully for seven years. To their great sorrow they were compelled, on account of the illness of Mrs. Davis, to return to America after hardly a year's stay in the land of their desire. For eight months (1913-14) Mr. Davis traveled from church to church in the interest of our work, and in February, 1914, after assisting in a campaign of six weeks in the New York District to aid that District's League in raising a $3,000 pledge for

home and foreign work, he accepted a call to St. Matthew's church in Buffalo, N. Y., where he was active until his second departure for India, October, 1917.

The Davis' left their oldest boy in Bellevue, Ky., with his grandmother, and served on several of our Mission Stations during their second term of Indian service. After Rev. Hagenstein's death in 1921 Mr. Davis took charge of Parsabhader Station, and at about the same time was intrusted with the office of Secretary of our Indian Conference. On account of poor health Mrs. Davis preceded her husband by a year in their next following furlough, coming to the United States in May, 1924, so that husband and wife took upon themselves another sacrifice on account of the work they love—being separated from one another for a whole year.

Rev. Davis remained in the homeland from 1925 to 1927 as the efficient teacher of missions on the faculty staff of the Evangelical Leadership Training Schools, in tireless deputation work, and as the traveling representative of the Evangelical Missionary Promotion. Since his return to the field he once more became the Station missionary of Parsabhader.

MR. AND MRS. FEIERABEND

I was born May 1st, 1889, in Grey Eagle Township, Minn., where my parents were engaged in farming and where I attended the country school.

When 14 years old I was sent to Minneapolis, where I attended school for six months, received religious instruction and was confirmed in St. John's Evangelical church by Rev. G. Mayer.

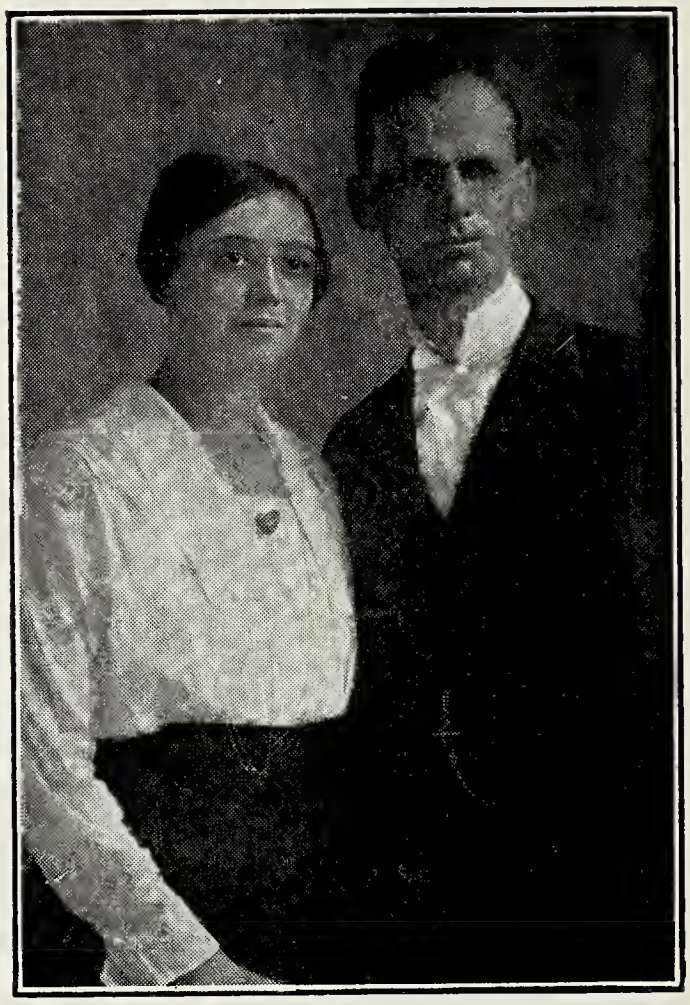
After my confirmation I returned home to work on the farm. Then I took a correspondence course in bookkeeping. At the age of 16 I sought employment in a country store and later went to the city in search of employment in some business.

But I did not stay long in the city. Rev. H. Rixmann, our local pastor, wanted me to go to Elmhurst College to prepare for the ministry, and convinced my father that this was best for me. At first I would not hear of it as I did not consider myself fit for the calling. But after a talk with my father, while at Minneapolis, I finally consented.

At Elmhurst College I heard much about foreign missions and soon felt the desire to become a missionary. During the third

school year I joined the Student Volunteer Movement, something I never regretted.

I entered Eden Theol. Seminary with the fixed purpose of becoming a foreign missionary. I gained many blessings by keeping in touch with the Student Volunteer Movement, and through the lectures of Prof. Press and Prof. Baur. I shall always be grateful to them for their influence in my life.



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My decision to become a missionary was a shock to my parents. It meant a great sacrifice for them. To me it was not a matter of choice but of duty, since I felt that the Lord had called me to this work. In June, 1912, the Board accepted Rev. J. Koenig and myself for the work in India. August 24th I was commissioned in Minneapolis, Minn.; sailed Sept. 5, 1912, and reached Raipur, C. P., India, Oct. 30, 1912.

In Raipur I lived with the Rev. A. Stoll for four months and studied Hindi. Then I had to take charge of Sakti Station, after the return of Bro. Lienk to America. Here I continued studying the language, and worked for 9 months till the return of Rev. O. Nussmann. Then I was sent to Mahasamund, my Station till February, 1921, the time I returned to America on furlough.

In America I spent much of the time in deputation work and several months' visiting with relatives. On Dec. 8, I was married to Miss Marie Nottrott, at that time a Sister in the Evangelical Hospital in St. Louis. She had been a volunteer for mission work even before I knew her, and had taken a course in the Moody Bible Institute.

In April, 1922, we sailed for India where we arrived June 24th of the same year. We were put in charge of Mahasamund Station and remained there till the 27th of March, 1923, when the

conference commissioned us to open up the new Station of Khariar where we are now preaching the Gospel The mission house was finished in 1925, three years later a chapel built solely with funds supplied by our Indian congregations. Of the three dear children given us the Lord saw fit to take two in the brief course of two years. Little Teddie, Theodore Carl, born Oct. 22, 1924 now is our great joy, and we greatly wish him to become a missionary. The harvest truly is great and the laborers few. Our thoughts often turn to the feudatory state of Kalahandi, adjoining our own territory. 400,000 more souls and no one to preach the Gospel unto them.

SISTER MINNIE GADT

Our first Indian Deaconess Sister, in 1925, wrote a little autobiographical sketch from which the following is copied.

"I was born in Higginsville, Mo., and later on moved to Lexington, Mo. with my parents. After one year of high school I attended, during three successive summers, the Elmhurst Leadership Training School and helped in the work at home on my parents' farm. Missionary addresses which I heard led me to think of foreign missions, and about six years ago, while I was away from home, I felt more than ever that my heart's desire was drawing me unto India.

Being at that time a Sunday school member of the Higginsville Evangelical Church I went to my Pastor, the Rev. G. H. Freund, for advice. My parents thought me too young to make a decision regarding work in a foreign country, and so the Rev. Mr. Freund suggested my entering the Evangelical Deaconess Hospital in St. Louis and preparing for the life work of a deaconess. I had not heard of this work before and immediately it seemed as though that might be what the Lord wanted me to do.

"Now I have spent five happy and blessed years here in the hospital, but am still longing to go to India and there serve the Lord as best I can. If it is the Lord's will, missionary work in India is to be my life work.

"I finished the three year nurse's training with the two years religious course and have taken the State Board examination, receiving my diploma. For two years I attended the Community Training School here in St. Louis, one evening a week, studying

Old Testament psychology and pedagogy during the first year; New Testament psychology and pedagogy during the second year. During one year I also spent one evening a week at the Brook's Bible Institute, with courses on Christian doctrine and personal work.

Sister Minnie Gadt

"After receiving my diploma I was given some training in the hospital as floor supervisor, teaching the probationers. This teaching work has given me considerable joy."

Sister Minnie was called by the Board in 1926, was commissioned in her home church, Trinity Evangelical, Rev. D. C. Jensen, Lexington, Mo., September 19 of that year. Her ship of the American Indian Line landed her safely November 2nd in Bombay and after a brief stay in Raipur, according to the methods adopted in recent years regarding language study, she spent the greater part of 1927 in the language school at Landour. This school is located in the Himalaya Mountains and offers fine op-

portunities for learning Hindi, both on account of a good teaching staff and a favorable climate.

When she returned to the plains Dr. Lang had developed a large work in the Leper Asylum Hospital at Chandkuri and in a despensary for the general public. Both Mrs. Lang and Sister Minnie were needed as the Doctor's assistants. In the Asylum many major operations were performed to prevent gangrene in the leper inmates, and in the dispensary, apart from general practice, cataract removals became a matter of almost daily occurrence.

In the fall of 1928 Dr. Lang had to leave the field on account of broken down health, and Sister Minnie, as best she could, maintained the work in the Dispensary, besides helping in the Asylum. Now and then she also visits the villages of the District, advising the people on health matters and dispensing medicines to the sick.

J. GASS

"I was born on the 6th of February, 1866, in Liestal, Switzerland, where my father was director in a factory. He wanted me to enter commercial life, after I had absolved the Primary- and High-school, though my teachers tried to persuade him to send me to the university. I obeyed and became a clerk in my father's office.

"A merchant in Switzerland has better prospects if he knows French well, and this induced my father to send me to Geneva for a couple of years, to acquire the above mentioned language. I entered a wholesale business house in Geneva and joined the Y. M. C. A., but I did not play a very active part before my conversion. A French physician, whom I had consulted when I was not well, became my friend, and it is through him, that I was led to Jesus Christ. He often prayed with me and asked very direct questions about my salvation, and I found Christ after much prayer. The change was soon known in the Y. M. C. A., and the president said: 'Jacob is changed and has become Israel.'

"I now took an active part and spoke with much joy about the salvation in Christ Jesus, and to my great surprise was elected vice-president of that Association in our annual meeting. This

gave me much work. The president was often absent and his duties fell to me, but I accepted them with great pleasure.

"One day a minister asked me whether I would not become a preacher. I should pray about it and find out whether I had a call of God. This was rather against my wishes, but the man had put a prong into my heart which I was unable to shake off. The assurance finally came after much prayer, but my father, a very pious man, was afraid of spiritual pride on my part. He, however, said: "I will not be against it if you are sure that God is calling you."

"For one year I prepared myself for the Entrance Examination of the Theological Seminary, studying chiefly the Greek, Latin and Hebrew languages, and was admitted to the Seminary in 1888 where I studied till 1892, taking a course of 4 years.

"Another surprise came. Our Director, Prof. Arnold, received a letter from the Rev. John Huber, of Attica, New York, in which he was asked whether he had a young man who would go to the Mission field of the Evangelical Synod. All my relatives were opposed to this plan, and asked me to work at home, but I was sure God was calling me to go to India and, after some time, I also got the consent of my people. In 1892 I was asked to come to America to present myself to our Mission Board. I remained for one year in America and joined Niagara University Medical Department in the winter of 1892—1893, to acquire as much medical practice as was possible in the short time I had. I passed all the Chemical Examinations with laboratory work, also made the Examinations in Therapeutics, Anatomy and Physiology, to show our Board, that the money which I had received for medical training had not been spent in vain. It was in June when I left America for India, via Switzerland, where I saw my father for the last time. He died after I had been in India for several years.

I arrived in India in October, 1893 and was sent to Bisrampur, where I studied the Hindi language for 6 months. In April, 1894, I was transferred to Raipur to help Dr. Stoll, who then was the only missionary in Raipur. In 1895 I was married to Miss Elizabeth Laengle, who had worked for several years as a teacher in the Girls' Home of the Basel Mission-house.

In 1900, when we had a large famine in C. P. the Government asked me to take charge of a large famine camp near Jora.

At the same time I bought a new compound of 6 acres in Raipur and built the Bungalow which we have since occupied.

The number of Christians increased much, and as we did not have sufficient catechists for our work I opened the theological school in 1898, with the sanction of our conference. Over 100 young men finished in the courses of three years each.

Mrs. Gass began Zenana work in Raipur in 1896 and it so increased that we asked the Mission Board to send Zenana Missionaries. The first Zenana Lady Missionary was Miss Uffmann.

I myself was in charge of the Raipur Middle school from the

Rev. J. Gass, D.D., and family

first day I came to Raipur. The school grew much through the orphans we received during the famine, and had to be enlarged.

I also built an orphanage to house all these children.

Raipur had a large Government Poor House during the famine, and over 100 Lepers who came to this institution had to be cared for. The Commissioner of Raipur asked me to act as secretary of a Leper Asylum Committee, and I built the Asylum we have about a mile and a half from Raipur.

At that time we opened a number of outstations in the District, also a number of village schools.

I also opened our St. Paul's High school in 1911 and finished the buildings for school and hostel in 1914.

Since 1906 President of our India Conference.

Since 1908 Member of the Municipal Committee of Raipur. In 1911 Government presented me with the Delhi Coronation Medal, in 1923 with the Kaisar—I—Hind medal for public work.

I have written a commentary on 1st Corinthians, one on Romans, and a life of Christ, all in Hindi, for our Theological School. The friends in the mission field as well as at home took note in the most kindly way of the thirty-fifth anniversary of my ordination, in November, 1929.

MISS ELISE KETTLER

Elise Kettler was born in Washington, D. C., and lived there until her departure for India in 1909. Her early education was received in the public schools of Washington.

Being next to the oldest in a family of seven children, she was early called upon to help her bit toward meeting family expenses.

When the Rural Free Delivery Service was established in many new centers, she was employed by the Post Office Department to make maps, showing the R. F. D. routes. Later she took the Civil Service examination for the work of Topographical Draftsman and was, soon thereafter, appointed to a position in the Drafting Division of the U. S. Forest Service Department. This position she resigned in 1907 when she entered the Union Missionary Training Institute of Brooklyn, N. Y., the institution from which she was graduated in 1909.

It was one day, while drawing maps, that she felt impelled to

stop her work and write a letter to her pastor (who was at the time attending a Mission Board meeting), telling him that she felt the Lord was calling her to give her life to mission service.

Her interest in missions had been greatly increased during the time she served as chairman of the missionary committee of the Christian Endeavor Society. This growth of interest was due, in a large measure, to the influence of her pastor.

After Rev. E. Schmidt returned from his visit to our mission field, she heard him tell about the unfortunate women of India. A great longing awoke in her heart at that time, a longing to help alleviate the awful conditions, and to tell her Indian sisters the story of Christ's love.

Miss Elise Kettler

She met with opposition in her family circle, but nothing could thwart her purpose, for she was assured that the Lord was leading.

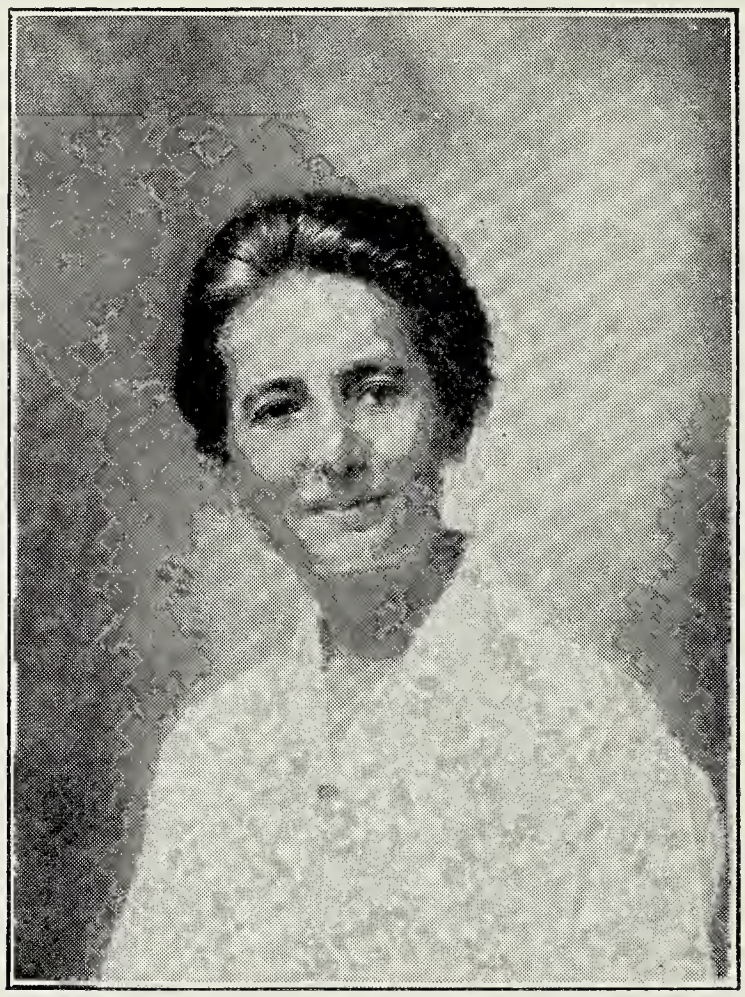
On the mission field she succeeded Miss Graebe, who had charge of the Zenana work and training of the Biblewomen in Raipur. During the latter part of her term she also had charge of the Widow's Home, a memorial to the late B. Koehring of Indianapolis, Indiana.

In 1917 she went home on furlough and, on account of war condition, she could not return to India until 1921. During the time Miss W. K. Diefenthaler had charge of the Zenana work and Koehring Home in Raipur. In 1921 Miss Diefenthaler went home on furlough and when Miss Kettler returned to India she again took up the same work which had been assigned to her during her first term, then served as principal of the Bible Training School for Women, in Baitalpur, until her second furlough in 1929.

LYDIA A. KIES

Lydia Augusta Kies was born near Jackson, Mo. She received religious instruction in her home, Sunday school, and in the parochial school. She was confirmed in the Evangelical Church in Jackson, Mo., of which she is a member, and of which her father formerly was a pastor.

At the age of six years she entered the Jackson Public Schools and attended them until she was graduated from the High School. The following year she taught a short term in a rural school, after which she attended the Missouri State Normal School at Cape Girardeau, Mo., now called Teachers' College. After graduation from this school she began teaching in the Jackson Grammar School. Later she took an additional course at the Teachers' College and at the Missouri State University at Columbia, Missouri.



Lydia A. Kies

After the death of her father in 1915 and the death of her mother in 1916 she felt that she ought to enter into some kind of Christian work. In the year 1919 she became much interested in missions, and that summer attended the Elmhurst Summer Training School where she made her final decision for the Foreign Field. After hearing missionary lectures and a sermon on the need of India she felt that the Lord was calling her to carry the Gospel message to those who were living in heathen darkness. Many souls are lost every year because they have not received Jesus Christ as their Saviour. She felt that if she could go to India and would not do so, she was in a measure responsible for their souls.

At the close of the summer school she went home and re-

signed her position as Principal of a school in the Ozarks, and in September entered the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago to receive some training preparatory to going to India.

In July, 1920, just a year after her decision to dedicate her life to the Lord, she was formally accepted by the Board of Foreign Missions.

Oct. 15, 1921, she, in company with Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Schultz and Rev. and Mrs. M. P. Albrecht, set sail for India, landing in Calcutta Nov. 21, 1921.

The first year she lived with Mrs. Helen E. Suger in Baitalpur studying the language, then she was transferred to Mahasamund to take charge of the Biblewomen and Zenana work. After eight months she was transferred to Raipur and put in charge of the Girls' Schools and Boarding Home.

As she looks back over her life she can see the leading and guiding hand of the Lord. Her desire is to be faithful in His service, so that He can use her to His honor and glory. After her first home furlough during 1927-28, she returned to Raipur and took charge of the Zenana work in that city.

J. C. KOENIG

John Charles Koenig was born March 30, 1889, at Staunton, Ill., where his father was teacher of the Evangelical parochial school. Some time later the family moved to Chicago and in 1895 to St. Louis, where his father had accepted a position as teacher in the Protestant Orphans' Home. It was in the excellent school of this institution, where not only the regular subjects of the public schools but also religion and the German language were taught, that he received his early education. He completed this school at the age of twelve and in the same year received confirmation. After studying for one year in Walther College of St. Louis, he moved to Hoyleton, Ill., where his parents had accepted charge of the Orphans' Home.

The atmosphere prevailing in his family, as well as in the various schools attended, naturally turned his mind to Christian service, and when the time came to choose a further course of studies, Elmhurst College was selected with the view of preparing for the ministry. He graduated from Elmhurst at the age of eighteen, and then spent two years teaching in the school of the Hoyle-

ton Orphanage. In these two years he not only earned the means of continuing his studies, but also gained valuable experience for his future work. In 1909 he entered Eden Theological Seminary, graduated in 1912 and was ordained a minister in the same year.

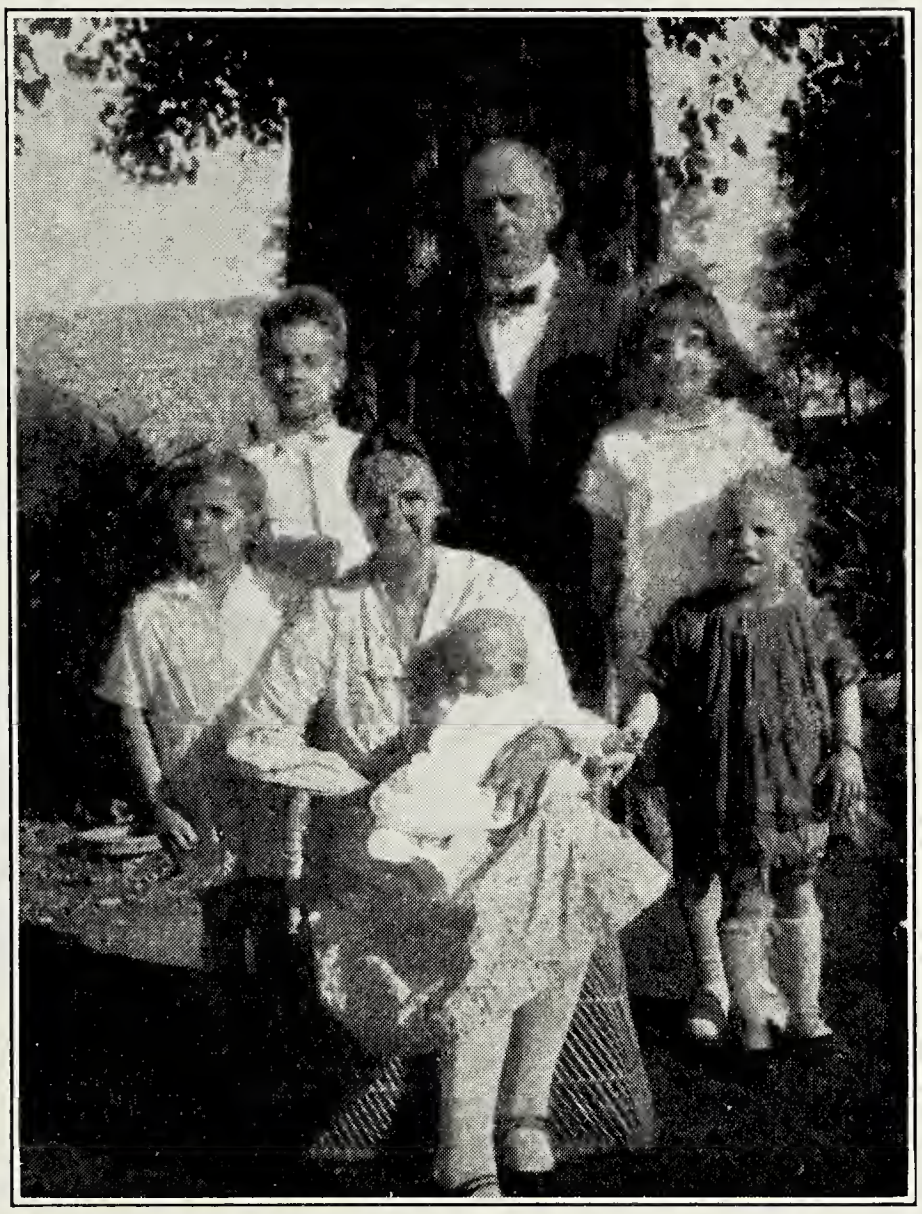
From early youth an interest in missions as well as in all forms of church activity had been awakened in the boy by his parents and teachers. The interest in foreign missions was nourished especially by an old friend of the family, Mrs. Krohne, who herself had been a missionary in Africa, and who sent yearly a large bundle of missionary tracts and leaflets, which were eagerly read by the children. In Elmhurst, as well as Eden, the interest continued to deepen. At the Seminary the students organized a number of mission study circles, in which he actively participated. There was also a Student Volunteer Band, but he did not join the same immediately. The call of the foreign field, however, presented itself clearer each year, and in the last year at Eden was felt so strongly, that a decision of the question became unavoidable.

This time arrived when the Board Secretary with some newly appointed missionaries visited the Seminary. Their addresses led to a crisis, and, after a season of prayer, all doubts were dispelled and the question decided. The assent of his parents was joyfully given. In due time the candidate applied to the Board, was accepted, and sailed with a class-mate, the Rev. H. A. Feierabend, for India in 1912, and arrived on the field on October 30th of the same year.

The first few months in India were spent at Bisrampur in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Nottrott, who introduced the young missionary into the intricacies of Indian life and thought. Most of the time was devoted to language study. In March, 1913, it became necessary to fill a vacancy at Sakti station, and as none of the more experienced missionaries was available for the post, the two new-comers were sent there. Two months later the Superintendent of the Leper Asylum at Baitalpur was forced, because of sickness in his family, to return to America, and Mr. Koenig was appointed his successor. For four years he ministered to the material and spiritual wants of the unfortunate inmates of this large institution, a work that may seem undesirable to many, but holds many joys, known only to the worker.

In 1915 his fellow-missionaries, Rev. J. Jost and family, were

withdrawn from Baitalpur, and because of the lack of missionaries it now fell to the lot of the young missionary, to supervise all the work of the Station. This included, besides the Leper Asylum, the pastoral care of the Christian congregation, the school work and the evangelistic work at the main station and twelve outstations. In the following year falls the happy event of his marriage



J. C. Koenig and family

to Miss Rose Baur, a daughter of Dr. W. Baur of Eden Seminary. As a true helpmeet she takes an active interest in her husband's work, finding her special sphere of usefulness among the Christian and non-Christian women, in the orphanages and with the Bible-women. In December, 1916, Mr. Koenig was relieved of the care of the Leper Asylum, when Mr. H. T. Waggoner was assigned to that post.

In 1922 they were appointed to Sakti. This is the largest station area in our Mission, the population being approximately 1,000,000. Work was begun in this field in 1908 and has developed

quickly. In 1924 there were six schools with 25 teachers and over 600 pupils, an orphage with 32 inmates, a dispensary, two Bible-women, one Indian pastor, and 14 catechists at nine out-stations. In the Raigarh section about 200 converts had been won, and this area is at present probably the most promising field in our mission. The first furlough fell due from 1921 to 1922. Since 1927 the Koenigs have been in Bisrampur, where Bro. Koenig is engaged in putting our village school work on a new basis.

P. HUBERT KONRAD

I was born and raised in a Christian home, on a farm in Wisconsin, 20 miles n. w. of Milwaukee. I attended the public school and shortly after my confirmation I went to the city, attending the public school for another year. After that I obtained employment in a large manufacturing concern. I remained in the city for about eight years doing office work, but somehow, this work did not give me any satisfaction, and I remember that I often felt I was living a sort of selfish and useless life, even though I was active in my home church and Sunday school.

My pastor, Rev. E. Gehle, often urged me to prepare for definite Christian service, but the more I thought about it, the more I saw my weakness and shortcomings. After eight years of city life, I again went to the country and began to look for a farm. Many good opportunities presented themselves, but somehow, the Lord prevented me from becoming settled. In 1916 I went to California, returning again the following year.

Although I had no particular aim in going to California, it proved to be a real blessing to me. I came in touch with some good Christian people at the Y. M. C. A. and the Bible Institute of Los Angeles, and it was during that time that I fully yielded my life to the Lord. At that time I filled out an application and was accepted as a student at the Los Angeles Institute, but was prevented from carrying out these plans.

I returned home and, for two years, worked on my Mother's farm, taking the place of one of my brothers, who served in the army. My desire to prepare myself for Christian work had almost left me. But the Lord again spoke to me very definitely at a Young People's Convention at Oakland, Wisconsin, at which one of our missionaries on furlough, Mrs. Katherine Goetsch, brought

to our attention the need of lay workers on the foreign field. I offered all sorts of excuses, but they were all swept from underneath me, until I had nothing to stand on, and so, then and there, I promised the Lord that I would offer myself for His service on the foreign field. This I did, and since then have had real joy and satisfaction at heart which I did not have before.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Konrad

After consultation with the missionaries, my Pastor, and the Secretary of the Mission Board, I entered the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, to prepare myself for my future life's work. The years spent at the Institution were rich in blessed experiences, and the training received there was the best, I believe, that I could have gotten anywhere. I graduated in August, 1922, was married to Miss Hedwig Fischer in September and set sail for India in October.

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Mrs. Konrad was born in Urbana, Indiana. When she was 7 weeks old her parents moved to New Bremen, Ohio, where her father, Rev. C. Fischer, was pastor of St. Peter's church for 23 years. Here she attended public and high school, and later graduated from the American Teacher's Seminary at Milwaukee, Wis. She taught in the public schools for eight years. From early childhood she had a longing in her heart to become a missionary, and is thankful today that the Lord has opened the way for her and permitted her to enter into the work which had been the desire of her heart for many years.

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The first furlough of the Konrads (1927-28) brought valuable experiences and developments. Apart from a great deal of

deputation work, Bro. Konrad, and his wife as well, took special courses at Eden Seminary, leading to the ordination of the former in Milwaukee. In this city also their first child was born, Emma Elisabeth, August 2, 1928.

MILTON C. LANG AND MRS. LANG

Milton C. Lang was born in Baltimore, Md. in 1899. Preliminary education was received in the public schools of that city. Pre-medical work was done at the Mt. Vernon College and in 1922 he received his M.D. from the University of Maryland. Until 1924 time was spent in general practice, an assistantship in Genito-urinary diseases at his Alma Mater and the medical superintendentcy of the State Penitentiary.

In July, 1924 a call to medical missionary service in India under the Evangelical Synod of N. A. was received and gladly accepted, and September 7, 1924 witnessed not only his marriage to Miss Lillian Lee Barner of Baltimore, but also the commissioning of both as the first missionaries to undertake medical work in India for our Board.

A course of tropical medicine at the London School, another in leprosy at the Calcutta School, and special work in eye surgery in North India gave the necessary foundation to begin work in our field.

This was started in Raipur, but proved only fairly successful because of lack of accommodations and equipment.

It was then decided that he should become the first medical superintendent of our leper asylum in Chandkuri. Here he was given a wide scope and, in conjunction with the general superintendent, Rev. J. H. Schultz, as rapidly as possible he transformed the old asylum into a modern hospital for the treatment of leprosy. An operation room and laboratory were added and, as far as possible, methods of treatment and care were brought up to date.

In addition a small general dispensary was started outside the asylum, which soon became the center for a large ophthalmic practice. In all these efforts the doctor was ably assisted by his wife, who until about six months before the close of the work temporarily, was his only nurse.

During all this time efforts were made to secure a large tract of land for a modern hospital. This was finally gotten at the

railroad station of Tilda, and October 1, 1928 witnessed the completion of a modern and sanitary bungalow for the doctor there. The plans for a fifty bed modern hospital were also complete and work was about to start at once.

Then a very serious illness of Dr. Lang and, later, of his wife caused the work to be temporarily closed, and they were sent to Leysin, Switzerland, where it is hoped they both soon may be completely restored to health again to serve Him.

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Mrs. Milton C. Lang (nee Lillian Lee Barner), was born in Baltimore, Maryland on March 4th, 1901. She received her edu-

Mr. & Mrs. Milton C. Lang

cation in the Public schools of Baltimore, and at the Baltimore Business College fitted herself for stenographic and secretarial work, in which capacities she was employed for more than six years prior to her marriage.

Her parents as well as grandparents had long been members of St. Matthews and through baptism and confirmation, she, too, became a daughter of that grand old church. About the time of

her confirmation she began to take an active part in church work, as a member of several young people's societies, the choir, etc. She was also a member of the Y. W. C. A. of her city.

Under Professor Lucien Odendhal she studied vocal music, for several years, better enabling her to help the choir at the church services. Shortly after beginning this study a new Choir Director and Organist was appointed at St. Matthews, who soon took out a membership in the church and, a little later, became affianced to Lillian.

They were privileged to receive on July 19th, 1924, the call to the foreign field, India, under the E. S. of N. A. On September 7th, 1924 they were united in marriage and immediately following this ceremony were commissioned as the first medical missionaries of our Board, and as such St. Matthews sent them forth.

Before the first year of language study was completed, a course in midwifery was undertaken by Mrs. Lang, to fit her better for the work, which was just beginning to be realized by her as that of the "doctor's wife." The work grew, her own duties increasing likewise. She served, at the doctor's direction, as his assistant, nurse, secretary, housekeeper and wife-companion, leaning on God for the necessary strength and wisdom to do all well for the upbuilding of His Kingdom in the land of darkness.

Indian Missionary Conference, 1927

It was difficult, then, for her to understand why, after nearly four years of this beloved service, when help was in sight, the Lord should see fit to lay aside the doctor in illness. Although, after a short rest in the hills, they renewed their efforts for His sake, God's will ran counter to their own. Due to their low state of health it became necessary to change climate and to rest. This they are now being permitted to do in Switzerland, where they wait upon the Lord to renew them in health and strength that they may labor in love for Him at His elected time and place. (February, 1929.)

EMIL W. MENZEL AND MRS. MENZEL

At the time these workers were called and sent (the commissioning service took place August 30, 1925), they were serving St. Andrews Church, Buffalo, N. Y. As the superintendent of the growing Sunday school Mrs. Menzel had served there before her husband; and both congregation and Sunday school have shown a fine spirit of fellowship and kindly attachment to their former pastor and his wife, since the latter left them to labor in the Indian field.

Mr. & Mrs. Emil W. Menzel

Mr. Menzel is one of the boys of Concordia Church, Washington, D. C., and through early association in his home city and of the parental home soon learned to think of foreign lands and Christian duty in those lands. When, later on, he bid farewell to the Concordia folks, ready to leave for India, he paid a warm tribute to one of his former Sunday school teachers. Years ago, on Sunday afternoon's, she had faithfully gathered about her a number of boys and girls

organized as a "Mission Band." Many a time the unruly youngsters would have preferred their own games to the exercises and the discipline of the little gathering. They showed it too. And many a time the good woman may have wondered whether anything good were coming or would come out of her efforts in devising missionary programs and getting up little missionary entertainments. Yet the outgoing missionary now bore testimony to the fact that in those very meetings a seed had been sown which, in his own case, for one, had led to an inward call and a life decision.

This may serve as an encouragement to many others, laboring in the interest of missionary education and missionary training.

The Washington Grade Schools and High-school, Elmhurst and a further collegiate year at the George Washington University of our Capitol, offered the opportunities for the prepatory school work of our missionary. His theological training was acquired during two years at "Eden" and another year at Union Seminary. Before leaving for the field a summer course in Teacher Training at Columbia University, New York, was added.

Mr. Menzel graduated and was ordained in 1920, was assigned to the New York District and, as stated above, found his field of labor in St. Andrews Church of Buffalo. Just at that time the population in the parish area of the church was growing rapidly, and during the five years of the pastorate initial work on a new church building became necessary and possible. A two-fold problem had to be met. The growing number of children and young people must be provided with the necessary facilities for instruction and training. At the same time building debts of dangerous proportions had to be avoided. These problems were solved by erecting a solid basement structure for the Sunday school, with smaller temporary superstructure for public services, and putting the old church to use for adult classes and additional meetings.

Before her marriage Ida Thrun, for a number of years, had charge of the bookkeeping and correspondence of a Buffalo commercial house. Alongside with this work she always found great joy assisting in the development of St. Andrews. In her early years her widowed mother with her family had moved into the neighborhood of that church. The daughter Ida was married to Mr. Menzel September 25th, 1922, and continued in fellowship and joint service with her former co-laborers.

When the Menzels left for India they took two dear little ones with them. In the unsearchable wisdom of our Father both were taken from them, little Amy Ida on June 15th, 1926; Paul Emil on March 15th, 1928. While in India, another son, David Washington, was born February 22nd, 1928.

After a stay in Raipur and an initial year of language study they were placed in charge of Station Sakti in March, 1927, and got ready to relocate that station near the town of Chandrapur during 1929.

ARMIN F. MEYER AND MRS. MEYER

Cooper asserts in one of his books, that there is an instinctive tendency in men to rivet attention on any one who has become distinguished. We have always belonged to the rank and file, and in the future, too, wish to measure up to being "the voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare ye the way of the Lord." Mirum est, si sacerdos salvetur.

In the humble manse of the congregation my father had organized in Fulton, Mo., I was born on the 5th of Feb., 1892. My father always invited the missionaries home on furlough and taught his children to empty their little savings banks to them. How eagerly we listened to the experiences they told about. At Eitzen, Minn. when Dr. Gass was at our home, I promised him, that I, too, would become a missionary.

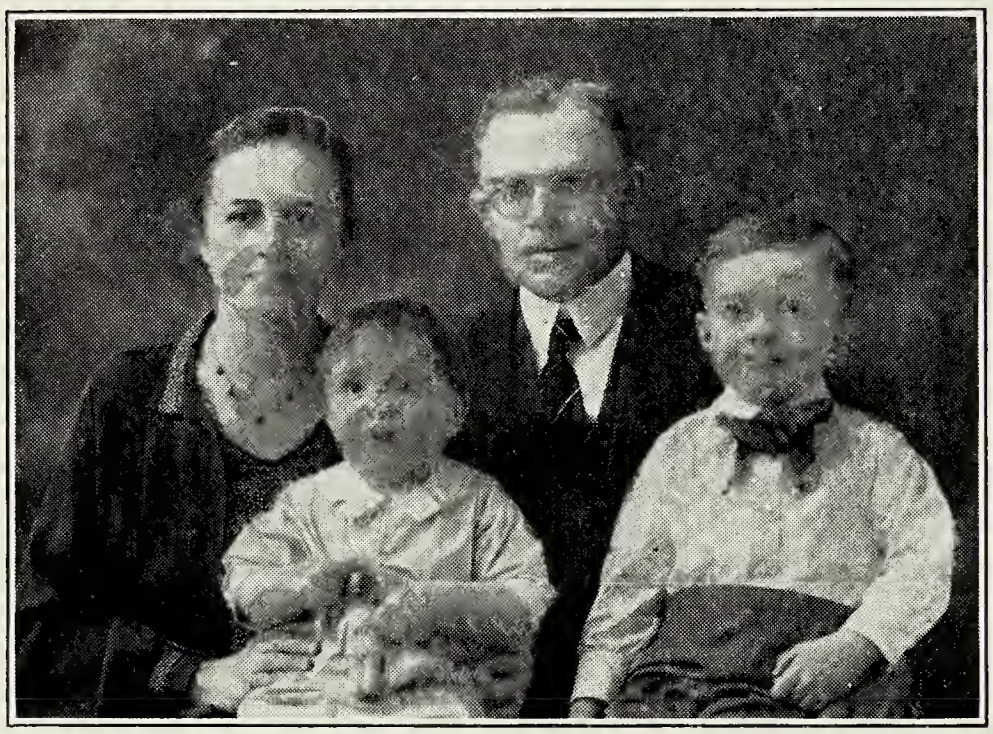
Two classmates at Eden were selected for India and I was assigned to serve a settlement of Schleswig-Holstein people at Round Lake and organize a congregation. The Home Board withdrew its support from that field, after which a change became necessary and a call to Minnesota Lake, Minn. was accepted.

During that time the Foreign Mission Board made inquiry if I were willing to go to India. My parents gave their consent, but the war prevented for three years the issuance of the landing permit. Rev. Locher induced me at this time to take charge of the Mission Church at Trenton, N. J. which was burdened with a debt of $18,000.

At this most critical period of my life I accepted and labored with great joy within this parish, until my landing-permit was received, and on Aug. 21, 1921, I embarked from New York harbor.

A year of language study was spent at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Goetsch when the India Committee entrusted me with the work of Baitalpur Station, where I could everywhere see the blessings of our Rev. Jost's ministry. Soon after my transfer to Raipur I was united in holy wedlock with Miss Hulda Klein.

Mrs. Meyer was born near Iowa Falls, Ia. from where the family soon moved to Alden. She attended country school, was confirmed at the age of 13 and later graduated from Alden High



Mr. & Mrs. Armin F. Meyer

School; alternately taught school, both grades and High School, and attended Iowa State Teachers College, receiving her Bachelor's Degree in 1920. The next winter she spent six very profitable months at Moody Bible Institute, gained some experience at the Deaconess Hospital in Marshalltown and sailed for India in the Fall of 1921. Her desire is that the Lord may use her for His glory and the salvation of India's womanhood.

Our work in Raipur, besides the care of a number of outstations and the Book depot, was to assist Rev. Gass in the instruction in our Seminary and in Bible instruction in the High School. Here the twins, Paul Wm. and Ruth were born. Nearly 2 years later Ruth was taken from us and was laid to rest in Bombay. In the fall of 1924 we took over Parsabhader Station, Mrs. Meyer concentrating on Medical work besides the care of the Blind and the Orphanages. Much building work was necessary, including 2 orphanages, 3 schools and a memorial dispensary. Most of my own time was spent in touring among the schools and

in the district. In March, 1928, after turning over the station to Rev. Davis, we returned to America on our first furlough, spending our time in deputation work and supplying First Evangelical Church in New Orleans during Dr. Becker's illness. We both took a semester of work in the Kennedy School of Missions in Hartford Seminary and intend to return to the field in the fall of 1929, refreshed in body and spirit, commending ourselves to the grace of our Lord and to the intercession of the Church in the homeland.

DOROTHEA S. RIECHERS

Miss Dorothea S. Riechers

I was born on a farm, a few miles south of Crown Point, Ind., where I spent my childhood days with my parents, brothers and sisters. My father was called home to be with the Lord when I was only eleven years old.

Under the influence and teaching of God-fearing parents I learned to know my Saviour early in life, and confessed Him as such on the day of my confirmation, which indeed was a blessed day for me and will never be forgotten. Nevertheless my Christian growth for several years after that was not as it should have been. But, "The love that will not let me go" graciously drew me into deeper fellowship with Him, through a friend whom I met while attending the Palmer School of Chiropractic at Davenport, Iowa, who was a graduate of the Moody Bible Institute. It was here, in a small group of God's children who met weekly for Bible reading and prayer, that I began to experience the unsearchable riches which are ours in Christ Jesus.

In 1914 I graduated from the above mentioned School and practiced in my home town.

In the summer of 1915 I occasionally attended the conferences held at the Moody conference ground, at Cedar Lake, which is only a few miles from my home. While attending a twilight service there one evening, I heard a message given on John 3: 16 and 1 John 3: 16. The speaker said that the two parts of Scripture ought always go together,—the one in John 3: 16: "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life," and 1 John 3: 16: "Hereby (by the above) perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren." As though given in a voice from above I knew my, "brethren," to be those who are still living in heathen darkness, not knowing anything of the love of Him who gave His life a ransom for them on Calvary's cross.

In spite of the fact that the Lord gave me much joy and success in my practice of five years and a half, I was always aware of an unrest in my soul, and I was not at rest until I finally surrendered all and put myself completely under his guidance.

In September, 1922, I met the Foreign Mission Board of our Church at Columbus, Ohio, where I was accepted as a missionary for India.

On October 11, 1922, I left New York, and arrived in Bombay, India, on the 18th of November. My places of work have been Mahasamudra, Bisrampur in 1927 temporarily, Raipur. At the latter place, for a while, I had charge of the Home for Girls, but chiefly visited the Zenanas after Miss Kies went on furlough in 1927. In 1929 my own furlough became due. The last two cold seasons gave me valuable experience in village evangelization when I was able to take my tent and visit the women in a number of areas around Raipur.

HEDWIG SCHAEFFER

was born in Wooster, Ohio, in the parsonage of Christ Evangelical Church, as the first child of the Rev. C. Schaeffer and wife. After completing High school she took a two years course at the Dayton, Ohio Normal School.

Stories of foreign mission work, heard in her childhood, aroused her interest in non-Christian people and drew her attention to the Lord's great commission. By the time she arrived at

maturer years this ripened into the desire to labor in the fulfillment of this commission, and the Board of Foreign Missions, hearing of this, gave her a call for the work in India. Or rather two calls.

The first one came about in 1916, even before the close of the World War. Miss Schaeffer took a year's course at the College of Missions in Indianapolis, studied hard and expected to sail the following fall. Unfortunately our own was among a number of other American churches whose classification among "approved societies" was delayed by the Anglo-Indian government. Thus, temporarily, the doors were found closed for all of our candidates, and Miss Schaeffer, for two years or more, sought employment and opportunity for Christian service in a mission school of the mountain districts at Hazel Green, Ky.

Miss Hedwig Schaeffer

For the time being she felt greatly perplexed. Had she mistaken her own personal wishes for a missionary call? At any rate the opportunity to labor within the circles of our own Evangelical Church met an inward desire on her part. Bethel congregation of St. Louis, Rev. J. P. Meyer, offered her the position of parish worker and assistant to the pastor. She accepted and, to put an end to uncertainty, asked the Board of Foreign Missions to release her for the time being.

"For the time being" was her own expression. Members of the Board possibly paid little attention to it, but it happened to describe an actual situation which cleared up after two more years. Miss Schaeffer served Bethel faithfully and acceptably. Then one day, Rev. Mr. Meyer wrote the Board that his parish worker's first love, foreign service, had again gotten the upper hand. Would the call to India be renewed?

This was done, after a personal interview with Miss Schaeffer and the Board members, in Portsmouth, Ohio, April 21, 1925. The Bethel folks were loath to give up their efficient and popular worker, but magnanimously put their own interests aside in favor of the more urgent needs of India. When the commissioning took place on October 4th, 1925 their Sunday school announced: "We are not going to be cut off altogether from Hedwig. If she has to go she will go as our own missionary. She is going to be salaried by us."

To her joy she found, (after her arrival in Bombay, Nov. 29th), that former studies of Hindi at the Indianapolis College of Missions had not been altogether forgotten. Hers was the first case in which one of our missionaries, during the first year's stay in the country, was able to pass the second year's language examination.

Her big, absorbing job, since the spring of 1927, is the superintendency of the two growing schools for girls in Raipur. A large gift of a St. Louis friend of our work enabled her in 1929 to erect large new buildings for the school on the Mission compound, making the institution one of the outstanding ones for primary female education in Chhattisgarh.

MISS ANNA SCHICHI

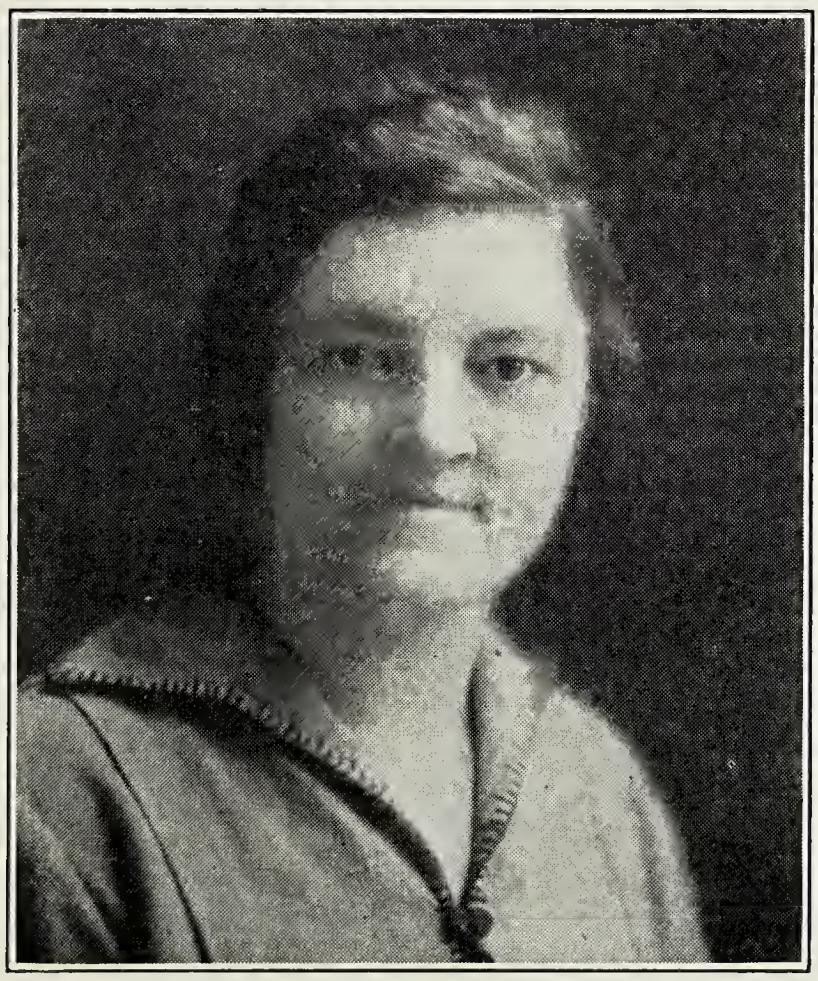
I was born in Chicago, Ill., attended the public schools four years and then the parochial school of St. Peter's church, until my confirmation in 1906. On this day, in making the vow to serve my Saviour and to seek to follow His ways, I experienced a change of heart, and though I could not fully understand or express my feelings at the time, I soon realized a growing interest in the deeper things of spiritual life.

My parents were not able to offer me further education, and I was soon called upon to contribute my share toward the family expenses. Three years later my mother was taken from us to her home above, and being the oldest of 5 children it fell to my lot to assume home responsibilities.

Since my childhood days I had been attending Sunday school regularly, and later became active in all church work. It was in Sunday school that I received my first impressions of the need of foreign missionary work. The impression was a lasting one and

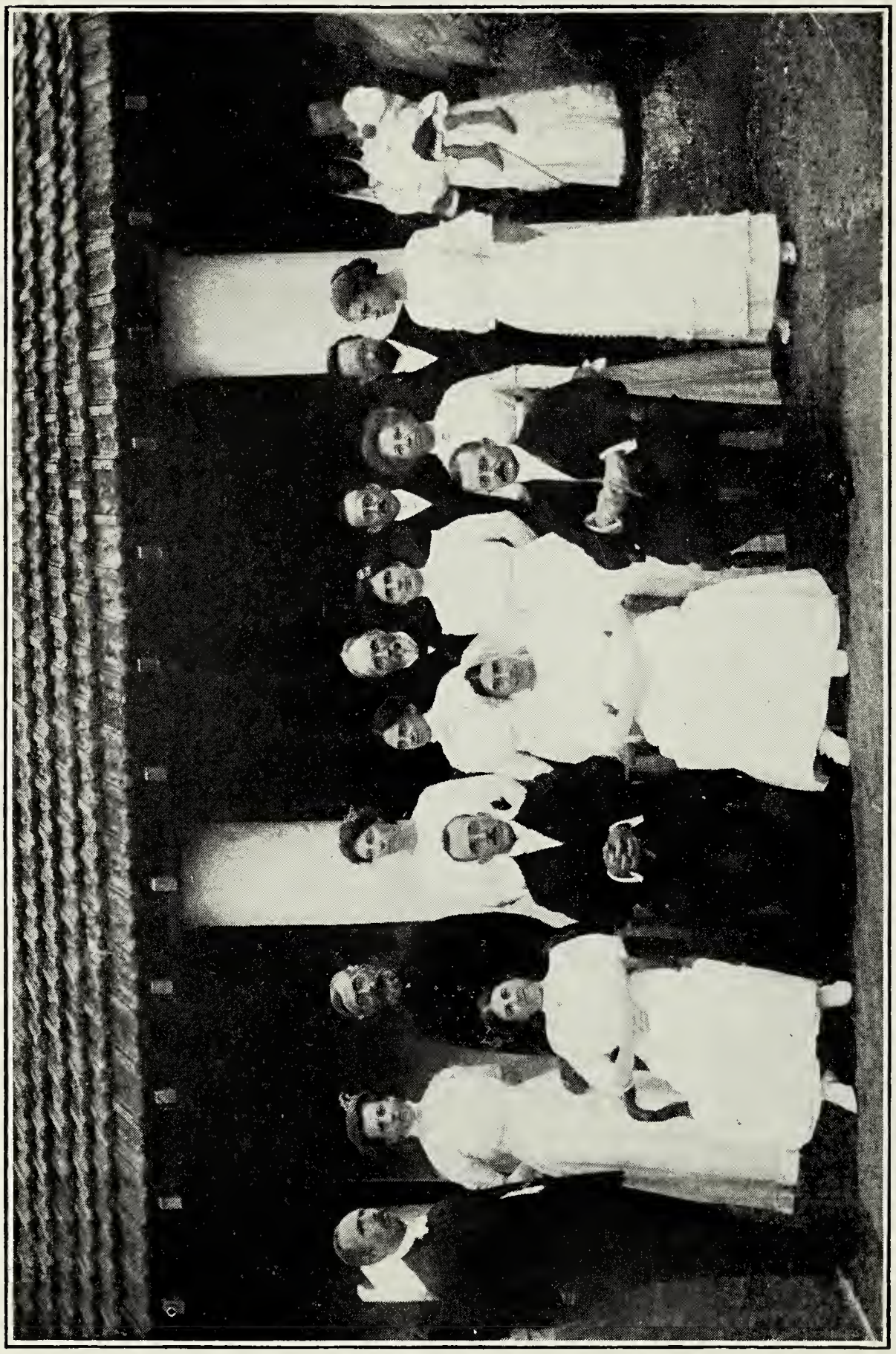
increased. How I longed to serve my Lord in the Zenana work in India! But I dared not express my desires, because of home ties and my utter need of more education. Yet the thought never left me. I availed myself of every opportunity to hear missionaries on furlough, and silently prepared myself in practical training, until a few years later, when my father married the second time and I was at liberty to seek outside employment. Each new position was a further step in training.

While working in Milwaukee, Wis., the call to foreign work came to me so forcibly that I decided to communicate with the general secretary of the Evangelical Foreign Mission Board. Shortly after this, when attending a Y. P. S. Convention at Ft. Atkinson, Wis., I had the privilege of listening to an address given by the missionary Mrs. Goetsch, and later met her with the Rev. Mr. Goetsch at Milwaukee, where I arranged for an interview with both Mrs. Goetsch and the Rev. P. A. Menzel, who was attending a Missionary Institute at Bethel church.—I was advised to take some Bible training. I knew I did not have the means to do so for any length of time, but that night I asked God in my prayer that, if He could use me as an instrument in His service in the foreign field, He would open the way that I might get the necessary and required training. A new joy and a wonderful peace entered my heart, and there on my knees I reconsecrated my life to His service. The command "Go ye," was clear to me. I had fought against the call many a time, but now was determined to do my part. I was led, step by step, in a providential way, and the follow-



Miss Anna Schichi

ing spring, 1920, I enrolled as a student in the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, where I took a full course in Bible and missionary studies. Many and varied were my experiences, having



A Missionary Wedding 1912

K. W. Nottrott, Anna Jost, A. Hagenstein, Adele Wobus, Mrs. Nottrott, J. Jost, Elise Kettler, M. Lienk, lady visitor, J. Gass, Mrs. Davis. Seated: Mrs. Suger, F. A. Goetsch, Mrs. Bruckner-Goetsch, W. H. P. Anderson.

had to work my way until the last term, and never will I forget the blessings received by claiming His promise, "My God shall supply all your need," and, "I can do all things through Christ," etc.

But at the close of three years, when I completed my studies and again applied to the Mission Board, the way seemed to be closed because of financial difficulties. I then accepted a temporary position as parish worker in St. John's Church of Richmond, Va. In the mean time I was accepted by the Mission Board as a prospective candidate for India, and, just a few months later, came the news from my home church, St. Peter's, Chicago, that the Sunday school had volunteered to undertake my support as their representative in India, as soon as the Board was ready to send me.

Words cannot express the overwhelming joy I experienced then. At last I received the call from the Board to meet with them and make final arrangements to sail, in the fall of 1924, to the land where many are still groping in darkness and superstition. What a privilege to go! What a privilege for the many at home to give and to pray!

After my first period of language study I was assigned to our southernmost station, Khariar, to labor with Mr. and Mrs. Feierabend. I have been at that station with one intermission when I had charge of the Girls' Home in Bisrampur during 1927. At Khariar we have to learn, besides Hindi, another language, Oriya. The work among the women and children is widening out continually. Early in 1929 I began to do a little touring in the villages.

JOHN H. SCHULTZ AND MRS. SCHULTZ

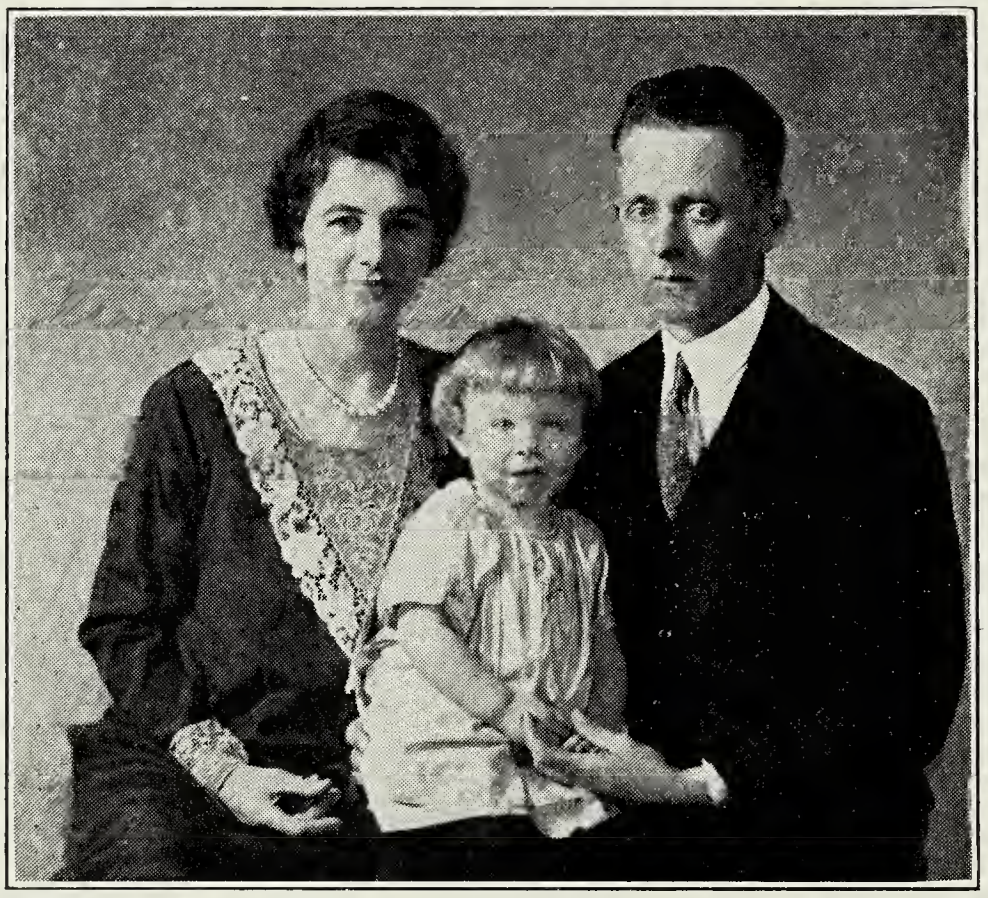
Two and one-half miles southeast of Drake, Missouri, the parsonage of St. James Evangelical Church, is the place where I was born. My father was minister there for years, and all of my childhood days were spent in that place of beautiful Gasconade County.

In the home, the parochial school and the church much was heard about missions, and many a story of life and lives in mission fields was told. Every two years a two-day mission festival was held, and for days before and long after conversation of the people would center around missions.

When fifteen, instead of going to Elmhurst direct, I first attended an Academy at Appleton City, Mo. My uncle, with whom I stayed, was a Presbyterian, much interested in church and especially in mission work. The church, too, had very active mission societies and my interest in missions grew.

For a while I had thought of entering on a business career, but after a year's stay at the academy went to Elmhurst, and in 1919 I entered Eden Seminary where I definitely decided to become a foreign missionary.

A few months after graduation from Eden and my ordination, which took place at Big Berger, Mo., I was commissioned at Hermann, Mo. Having married in the mean time, the two of us sailed for India where we arrived in November of 1921.



Mr. & Mrs. John H. Schultz

We were stationed at Baitalpur and after a few months, on account of the shortage of missionaries, were put in charge of our Chandkuri leper asylum at the same place, Baitalpur.

The leper work, at the time of our arrival in India, had entered on a new phase of development on account of the introduction during the same year of the Hydnocarpus oil treatment, and it was with a great deal of joy that we set to work on the task of gradually changing the Leper Asylum into a Leprosy Hospital.

In 1928 our first furlough was due, which of course took us back to America.

Mrs. Schultz comes from Hermann, Mo., and her maiden name was Olivia Bareis. Before knowing me she felt led very definitely to volunteer for missionary service, resigned her position

as teacher in the public schools and took a course of training at the Brookes Bible School, St. Louis.

In the picture you see our little girl. She is our second daughter, named Winifred. Our first child, Adelaide, was taken from us in India when she was 9 months old.

During our furlough, 1928-29, I attended the Washington University of St. Louis, where I took a graduate course in the department of Business and Public Administration, which, beyond doubt, will be of help to me in my future work among the lepers.

India's leper problem, like so many of its problems, is a huge one and, at the same time, an extremely interesting one. Mrs. Schultz and I hope to do our share by helping in fulfilling the Lord's command: "Cleanse the lepers."

TH. C. SEYBOLD

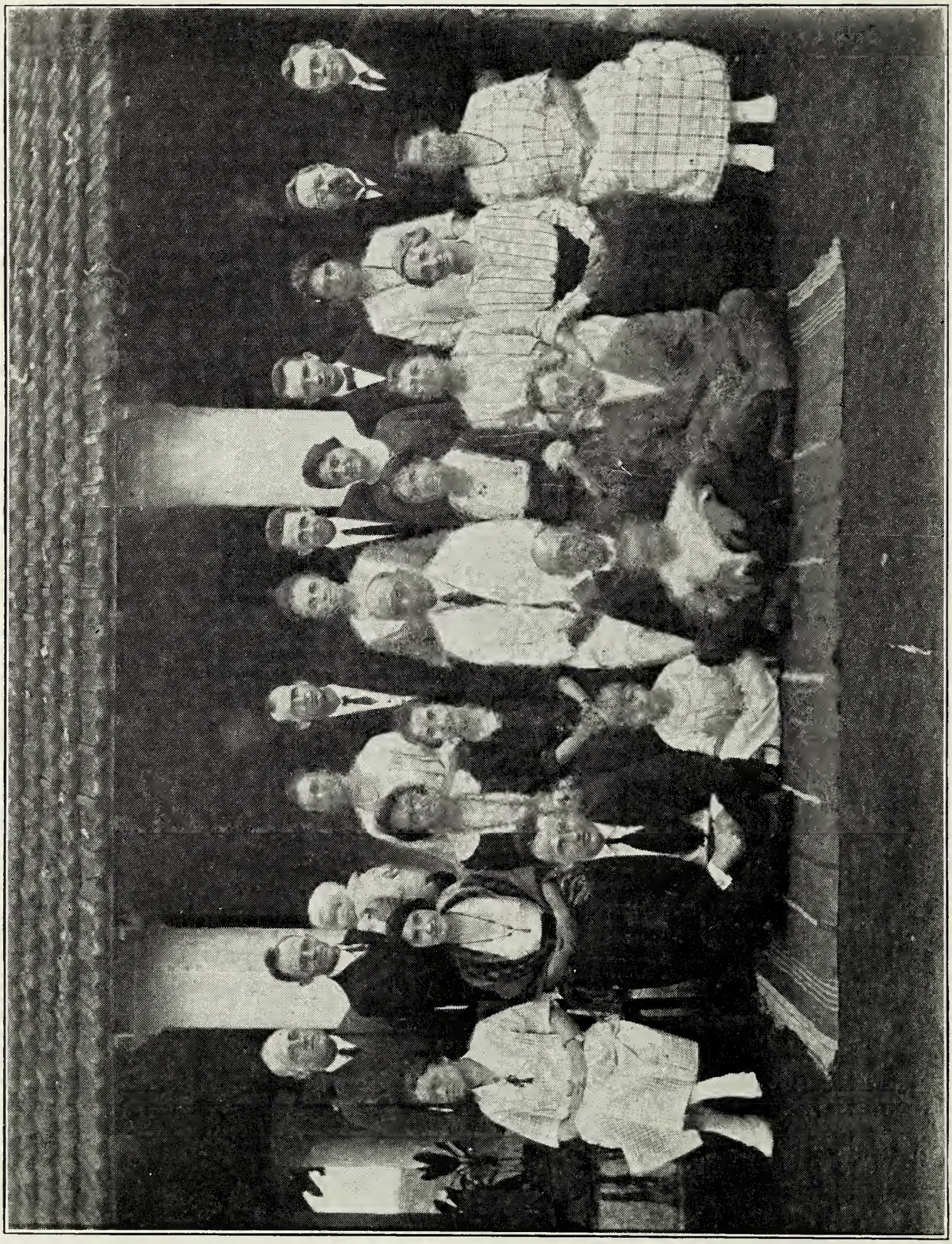
Early Impressions

From the grandfather, the Rev. J. C. Seybold, who wanted to become a missionary but was prevented, the missionary spirit was inherited. From the godly and praying parents, the Rev. and Mrs. I. Th. Seybold, came deep religious and missionary influences, which mean so much. He was born in Black Jack, Ill., on August 23, 1889.

"School days, happy days" began early. At Rockport, Ind., the grandfather laid the second foundation, after the mother's and father's earliest teachings. Then came the Kindergarten with its fine influence. This school life continued at Wellington, Mo., where the grade school work was completed.

At Wellington, the outward influences that helped to mould character and decisions were the beautiful surroundings of nature, the great play-ground in orchard and field.

Here also the deepest inner impression upon life was made in the sacred hour of confirmation. The vow to serve the Saviour throughout life was made on that memorable day in the year 1904. At that time the desire to serve the Lord as a missionary was already very strong. This missionary interest was not only fostered in the home, but in church as well. The annual Mission Days also were of supreme importance; more knowledge was gained of missionary work and acquaintanceship with missionaries was formed.

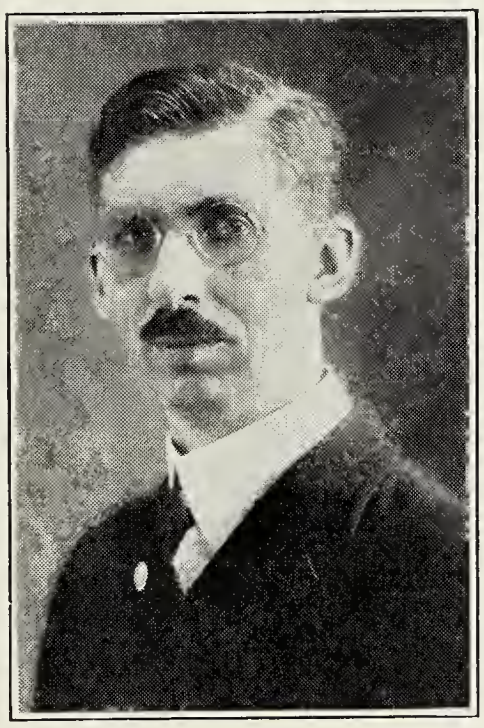


Indian Conference of Missionaries, with Rev. Tim Lehmann, 1924

A year's attendance at High School in Independence, Mo., with its new surroundings, its new contacts, and the deep and abiding religious influence of the Rev and Mrs. O. Niethammer, meant much to the growing youth.

All of the preceding events but served to prepare for the definite decision to become a minister. So in the fall of 1906 there began that specific work of preparing for this work at Elmhurst College, in Elmhurst, Ill. Four busy and delightful years

Mrs. C. Seybold



Th. C. Seybold

were spent there. At Elmhurst two missionary societies, and a small but active Volunteer Band, were the principal agents in fostering missionary interest. Rev. H. Feierabend, now a misisonary in India was at that time the leader of the Volunteer Band and was indeed "the Father of mission interest" in Elmhurst. He persuaded, argued, coaxed and at times literally pulled folks into the meetings, all because of his deep-hearted interest in missions. However, at that time the student T. Seybold did not join the Band; he felt he must be more mature before making a definite decision.

Eden Seminary Influences

Three years at Eden Seminary meant much to the prospective missionary. On the occasion of the visit of a Student Volunteer Movement Secretary, he was led to face the question squarely, and made the definite decision to become a volunteer for the foreign

mission field. Membership in the Volunteer Band now became a privilege. Application was made to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Evangelical Church, to be sent out as a missionary. The Volunteer Band grew quickly at this time and mission interest became wide-spread. Discussions on missions and the call to the foreign field became the order of the day. Mission Study Classes were organized. Active mission work was encouraged by the Professors. A Sunday school was begun in St. Louis, which today is a flourishing City Mission. Above all, the spiritual life of a large number was deepened.

1913

The year 1913 stands out as important because it meant the graduation from Eden Seminary. It was the year of ordination. It was the year of appointment to serve in India. It brought with it a very impressive commissioning service to this special work. It meant the trip to India, the beginning of the work amid new surroundings. Missionary E. Seybold and Missionary T. Twente were the two sent out to India in that year, and they arrived in Raipur on October 28th.

India

Here a second home was found in that of the Rev. and Mrs. J. Gass. The study of the language was begun. After passing the language examination, the regular work in the High School was undertaken. The management of the High School at Raipur, with its possibilities for the future, the training of youth, and the bringing of the claims of Jesus Christ, is indeed a great privilege.

On Furlough

After ten years of service in India came the first furlough in 1923. Returning to the United States, getting in contact with various Evangelical churches, renewing old acquaintances and making new ones, gave new inspiration for the task. The privilege to attend the Student Volunteer Convention at Indianapolis from December 28, 1923, to January 1, 1924, meant a new consecration to the cause. The attendance at Washington University, St. Louis, and the taking of the Educational Course was but the wider preparation for that great work to carry on the education of the youth of India, and to lead them to Christ.

Since the fall of 1924 he devotes again the greater part of his time and energy to the ever growing work among the Raipur boys

and in St. Paul's High school, and instructs besides several classes in the Theological School. In February, 1929, Miss Hanna Luethy of Oltingen, Switzerland became his life partner, the marriage having taken place on the 11th of that month.

MRS. HELEN ENSLIN SUGER

Helen Enslin-Suger was born at Sandusky, Ohio. She attended the Sandusky schools and graduated from the High School of the same city. After this she was engaged in private teaching for several years and, later on, accepted a position in business (having attended the Sandusky Business College).

Religious instruction was given her by her father, Rev. J. G. Enslin (deceased), who taught her the true way of salvation. The needs of the foreign field were impressed upon her early in youth. Hence, the Holy Spirit worked in her heart and she found no rest until she consecrated her life to God in active service.

On April 4, 1907, she was married to Mr. B. W. Suger, a Sandusky merchant. As he was much interested in missions she hoped that God would send them both forth to India. God, however, thought differently and took Mr. Suger to Himself on the 4th of October, 1908, after the short period of one and a half years of married life.

In the Fall of 1909, Mrs. Helen Enslin Suger went to Nyack in order to prepare herself for the work in which she is engaged, namely, as missionary. She attended the Nyack Missionary Institute for two years, and in the Fall of 1911 sailed for India. She was stationed at Bisrampur, after her arrival in India, and remained at this Station throughout her first term, seven years and a half. Her work was carried on among the non-Christians of the Bisrampur District. The surrounding villages of Bisrampur (25) were worked by her and the Biblewomen, and the Zenanas of Bhatapara and Simga were visited; and, during the cold season, touring was carried on by her and the Biblewomen in the Bisrampur District.

In April of 1919 she left India for America on her first furlough, and returned in December, 1920. Upon her arrival she was stationed at Baitalpur. As the Station missionary and his wife left for America in February of 1921, not only the village

work but various departments of the church work were handed over to her; later on also the two Homes for the Untainted Children of the lepers. As the Superintendent of the Leper Asylum had to leave for America, on account of ill health, the Conference asked her to take charge of the Leper Asylum and this work she carried on, besides the rest, for almost four months.

Mrs. Helen Enslin Suger

During this time she was alone at Baitalpur Station. God wonderfully manifested Himself to her in these days of multifarious business, and she proved again that God is the all-sufficient God and Helper of those who put their entire trust in Him. In May, 1922, she was relieved of the supervision of the Untainted Homes, and in the latter part of November, 1922, of all responsibilities

regarding the Leper Asylum, until still later on, in February, 1923, she could give her time exclusively to the village work and the teaching of the Biblewomen.

She had at that time eight Bible women who worked some 47 villages about Baitalpur. During the cold season touring is carried on in company with the Biblewomen and many villages are reached which cannot be reached during the other seasons.

On July 15th, 1924 an important new institution was opened in Baitalpur, the Bible Training School for Women, with Mrs. Suger at its head. During the home furlough, 1927-28, Miss Kettler acted as superintendent, but Mrs. Suger again was put in charge in the early months of 1929. The number of students in training at that time was thirteen.

THE TWENTES

Theophil H. Twente was born June 29, 1890, near Little Rock, Saline Co., Missouri. At the age of six he moved with his parents to a farm near Levasy, Jackson Co., Missouri, where he received his early education and Christian training.

Soon after his confirmation on Palm Sunday, 1905, he decided to prepare for the ministry, and accordingly entered Elmhurst College the following year. No doubt the influence of his God-fearing parents, as also of his pastor, the Rev. F. Rasche, and the pastor's sons, August and Christian, and a cousin, Alfred Schemmer, did much to prompt and support him while taking this step.

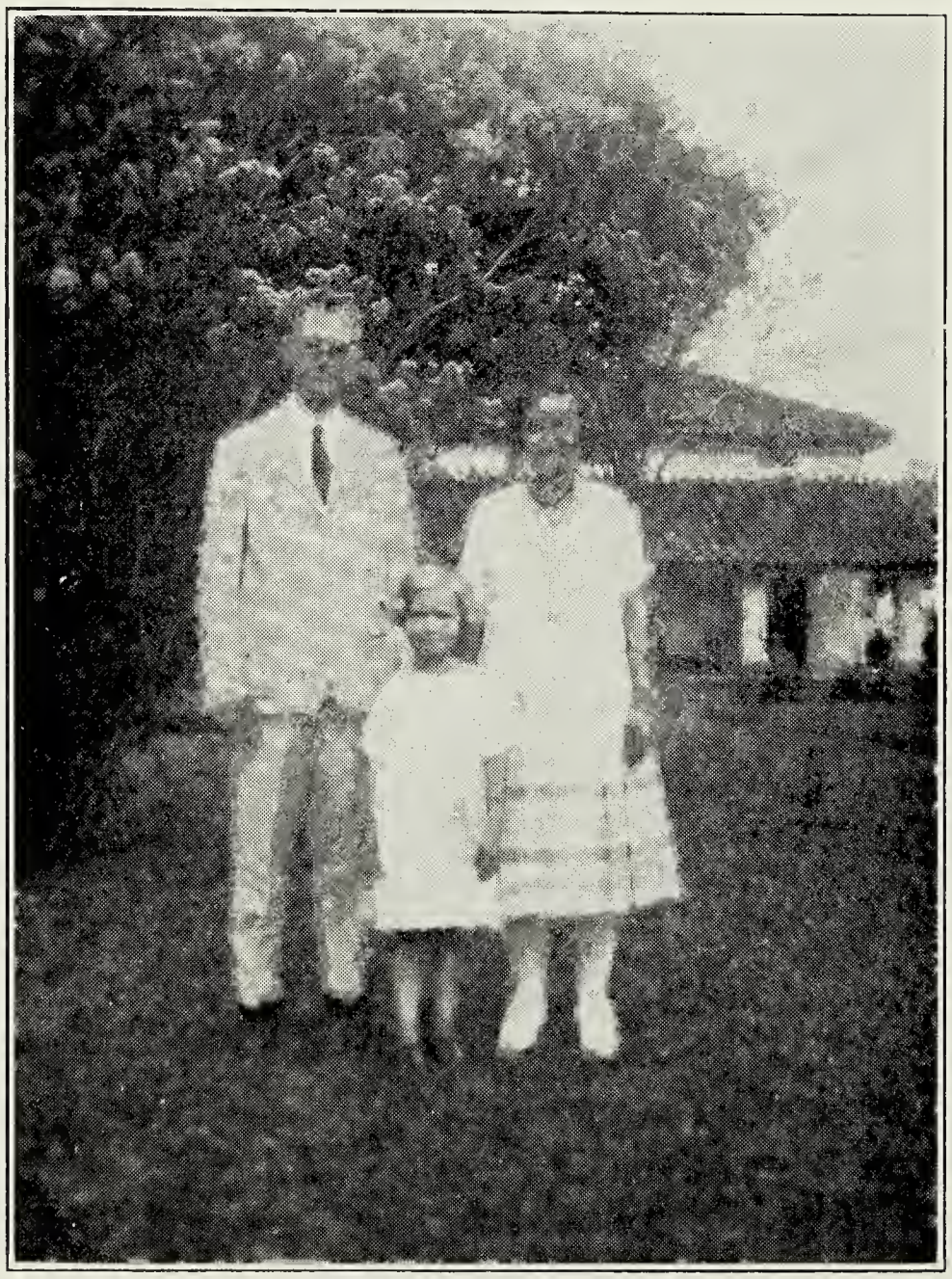
In the year 1910 he graduated from Elmhurst College and entered Eden Seminary in the fall of the same year. Here again it was the influence of fellow-students (four of whom are now on the field) and a Student Volunteer Secretary, that much help was given him in making the further important decision of volunteering for service in the foreign field. Upon writing to his parents for their consent, they not only gave it gladly, but added that the decision had come in accordance with their expectations. No wonder when, from his boyhood days, they had been holding up before him the missionary ideal.

Having graduated from the Seminary he was ordained to the ministry on June 29, 1913, and commissioned for service on the foreign field on the seventeenth of the following August. The lat-

ter occasion proved a most impressive one, and has done much to sustain the missionary in his successive years of labor on the foreign field.

After a meeting with the Foreign Mission Board at Scranton, Pa., the newly appointed missionary sailed with his colleague, the Rev. Th. C. Seybold, from Hoboken, N. J., on September 2. Their journey via England, Europe and the Mediterranean was a most pleasant and instructive one. Raipur was reached on October 28th.

The first few weeks in India were spent in visiting the various stations of our Mission and in getting acquainted with the work in general. Mr. Twente then went to Baitalpur, where he began the study of Hindi. In February of the following year he was stationed at Mahasamudra with Mr. Feierabend. The two brethren had the pleasure of working together for about a year



Rev. & Mrs. Theophil H. Twente

when, on account of Mr. and Mrs. Nussmann's departure from India, Mr. Twente was transferred to Sakti, where he worked until January, 1921, the time of his departure for home on furlough.

While in America he married Mrs. Almeta Van Valen, nee Wolf, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The wedding took place in the home of the bride's mother, at Altoona, Pa., on July 20, 1921. Because of the bride's six and a half years of missionary service in India, this union has already meant much to the work of our Mission at large, as well as to the missionary personally.

The greater part of their furlough was spent in going about from place to place, to speak on behalf of our missionary cause. Aside from this they also spent some time in study at Washington University and the Teachers' Training College, St. Louis. Previous to her marriage, Mrs. Twente had also taken a year's work at the New York Biblical Seminary.

On January 8, 1923, Mr. and Mrs. Twente again sailed for India, after a somewhat prolonged furlough on account of the former's ill health. They reached Baitalpur on February 21, where

they engaged in the Station and District work, Mrs. Twente assisting as teacher in the Bible Training School for Women. Two children were born, Rachel Bernice, May 19, 1923, and Victor Kenneth, Nov. 30, 1924. The latter was called in death, Nov. 22, 1927.

Since March, 1927 the Twentes have been stationed at Bisrampur, taking the place of Rev. F. A. Goetsch and wife.

ELMER W. WHITCOMB

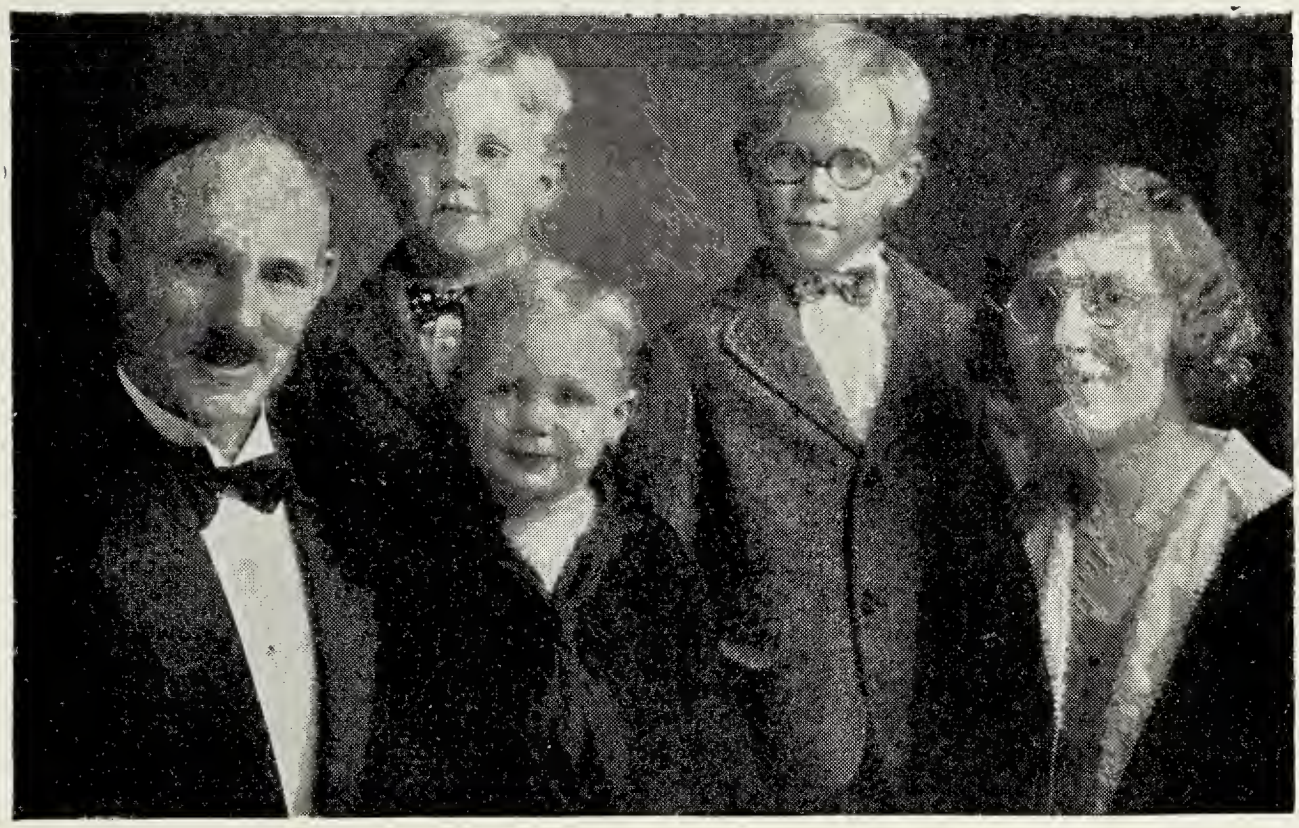
Dr. Elmer W. Whitcomb was born February 20, 1897 in Byron, Minn. He entered public school when five years of age. Graduated from high school at Parker College, Winnebago, Minn. in 1916. During his first year in high school his interest in Missions was aroused by Rev. Mettam who had been in India. Although he felt he did not have the making of a minister, he could help minister to this great mass of people in darkness through the art of medicine. In the fall of 1916 he enrolled in Baldwin Wallace College, Berea, Ohio for premedical work. Here he joined the Student Volunteer Band. In 1918 he joined the marines. At the close of the war he completed his premedic work at Northwestern University, Chicago. Then he entered the medical school at the University of Minnesota, in 1919, and graduated in 1924.

I (Adella Rodeheffer Whitcomb), was born April 21, 1899 at New Knoxville, Ohio. Here I attended the public school and high school. I graduated from a "Two Year Normal Course" at Baldwin Wallace College, Berea, Ohio, in 1918. It was then the desire, implanted in early youth, to become a missionary, asserted itself and I publicly announced my willingness to serve Him, whatever, wherever, and whenever it might be. I taught in a country school for three years and received the Ohio State Life Certificate. I graduated from Hamline University, St. Paul, Minn. in 1924. Specialized in social service work and worked with United Charities in St. Paul. We were married in 1922.

We settled in Cresbard, South Dakota for four years and succeeded in absolving our debts contracted during our school days. The Doctor was very busy, not only as a physician but as a trustee of the church, a member of the school board and other civic organizations. I busied myself with the babies, missionary society,

Sunday school superintendency and assisted with Vacation Bible School.

We kept in touch with the Student Volunteer Movement, and from time to time received correspondence telling of doctors needed. In this way we came in touch with the Board Secretary, Mr. Menzel.



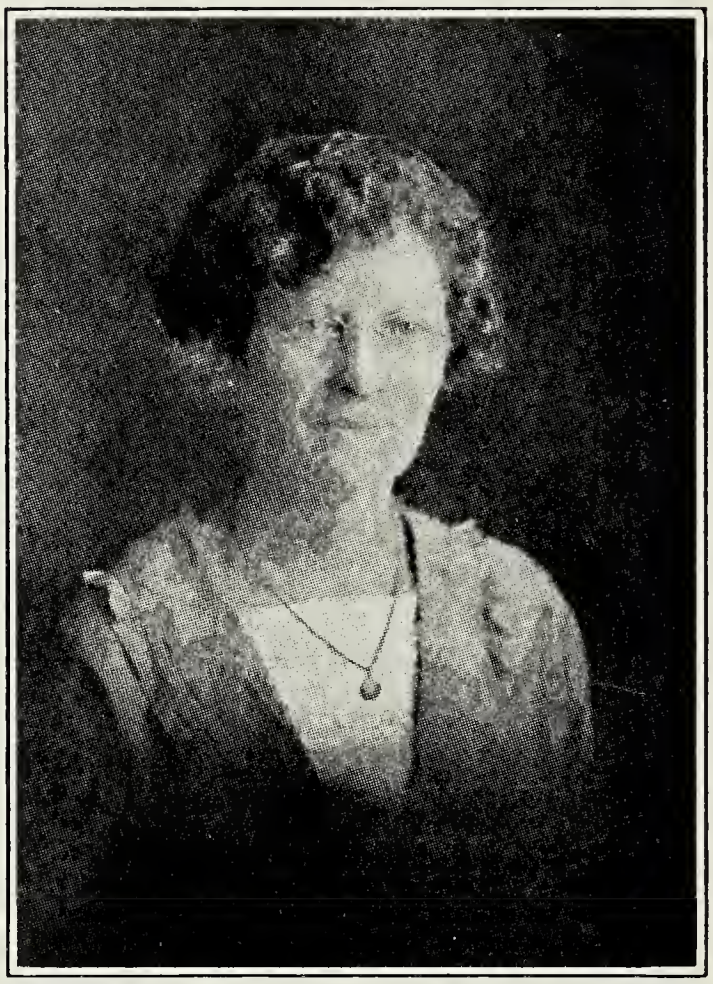
Dr. & Mrs. E. W. Whitcomb

After meeting with the Board we received a call to India. We were commissioned September 9th, 1928 in New Bremen, Ohio, and sailed from New York Sept. 19, 1928 for London, England. Dr. Whitcomb is just completing his course in the London School of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene. On March 1st, 1929 we leave Marseilles with our three sons, Thomas, William and John, ages six, four and three respectively, for Tilda, C. P., India, where a new hospital is being erected.

MISS M. ADELE WOBUS

Marguerite Adele Wobus, born in St. Charles, Mo. Attended parochial school there until her confirmation by her father, then a term of public school, and afterwards Lindenwood College for four years, until graduation. Taught public county school for five and one half years, one year parochial school. Applied to Mission

Board in fall, 1905, sailed for India December 12, 1906, arrived here Feb. 5, and 6, 1907, took charge of two Girl's Schools in Raipur on Jan. 1, 1908, and of the Girl's Home in July, 1911, when returned from hill furlough and Miss Graebe had gone home. With God's help the compound school grew into an English Middle School, and the number of children in the city school increased threefold.



Miss M. Adele Wobus

Went on home furlough in spring of 1914, returning in March, 1916; took up former work which had been supplied by Miss Diefenthaler, until time for second furlough in 1923.

This furlough was prolonged a year beyond the usual time, and gave me opportunity to take special courses at the Biblical Seminary, New York City (the "White Bible School"), including some training in children's clinics. The latter, especially, I was able to put to good use in my work since the fall of 1925 at Station Parsabhader. There I have charge of the Girls' School on the station compound, another at Baloda Bazaar, work in the dispensary and visiting work among the women in general.

II. HONDURAS

THE ANDRES FAMILY

Frederick Andres was the first of four children. Born on the 17th of January, 1884, at Weingarten, in the Palatinate, Germany. His parents were God-fearing, simple farmers, and belonged to the circles known as "pietists." Besides the regular services in church, these peoples attend, or rather form, Bible and prayer meetings without intending any opposition to the church. His father, however, once was summoned before the District Court where he had to answer for his religious position.

The children of these families also had to suffer, and this to a certain extent kept them away from evil associations and worldly influences. Family prayer was observed in the strictest way. There was no meal without some form of family worship. In the morning, after breakfast, the Moravian text book and also the chapter containing the motto for the day was read. Then the whole family kneeled down, and father lead in prayer, mother closing with the benediction. After dinner the chapter, from which the day's text was taken, was read. In the evening we read the Bible consecutively, and again the family went down on their knees.

When about 15 years old the bóy made a solemn promise to serve his Lord on the foreign field. But not until he was 18 he let his parents know about it. Asking their consent he received it under the condition that he first render his army service. At this time he served an apprenticeship in gardening and, after this was over, having now reached the age of 19, he entered the army as a volunteer, and while there he made his application to the Basel Mission Society. He was accepted as a candidate, and entered the Mission House on the first of October, 1905.

After the usual 6 years' course he was commissioned for the Gold Coast, British West Africa, received his ordination for the ministry in the Stiftskirche in Landau on the annual Mission festival of this church, and went to Scotland for the further study of the English language.

On the 10th of January, 1912, he sailed for the Gold Coast and arrived there on the 25th, welcomed on the shore by his fellow worker, A. H. Dewald. The two first years on the field were given

chiefly to the study of the native language. Besides this he had to keep the accounts of the station circuit and had the supervision of the primary schools. In the spring of 1915 Rev. A. H. Dewald went on furlough to the United States, and Andres acted for him as manager of the Senior Boys' School at Christiansborg. He continued in his work in cooperation with Dewald, after the latter's return until December, 1917, when the war brought the work of the Basel Mission on that field to an end.

After a four months' internment in England he was repatriated and saw his parents again. In agreement with the Mission Board he served in the home church as assistant pastor in Wimpfen a. N. from 1918-20.

1919, during a short vacation spent in the "Evangelisches Erholungsheim," Schoenblick, he became acquainted with Miss Lina Schuetthelm of Mannheim, Baden. Some months after this first meeting the two became engaged and, in October, 1920, were married.

The Basel Mission Board sent the young married couple to Vienna, where Andres had to take over the agency of the Basel Mission, thus being the latter's representative in Austria. The work brought the missionary and his wife in contact with nearly all the protestant churches of that land, and with their leaders.

During all this time, however, the thoughts of the former missionary were centered on the foreign field, and his only wish was that the Lord might open the way to return.

His friend H. A. Dewald, in the meantime, had accepted a call from the Evangelical Synod of North America, to open a new field of foreign work in Honduras, C. A. Andres watched the development of the work and, little by little, the thought arose within him: Might not the Lord have some work there for him, too? Might he not, possibly, join hands with his fellow-worker from the Gold Coast, continuing the great work of the Master in the old way of mutual cooperation and friendship? Many a prayer was sent to heaven asking divine guidance. And the good Lord who answers prayer, brought it to pass.

In November, 1922, the Andres family sailed for America, having received a call by the Synod, and F. Andres was appointed pastor of St. Paul's Church in Marshfield, Wis.

A year later, in November, 1923, he was called by the Foreign Mission Board as a missionary to Honduras, to assist in the educa-

tional and other work there. The arrival in Puerto Cortez took place March 13, 1924, and after a brief location at Birichichi, he joined our other workers at San Pedro. The first outstation at Chamelecon, where a chapel was built in 1926, was put in his charge, and for over a year Mr. and Mrs. Andres served as the

F. Andres and family

house-parents of the boys in the Bethany Home. Their first home furlough took place in 1928 and they began their second term of service in October of the same year.

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Mrs. Andres' birthplace was the important town of Mannheim, Baden. Her father died when she was but one year old, and a Christian governess, later on, became instrumental in leading the girl with another sister to Christ.

Having studied music at the Royal Academy of Vienna, Mrs. Andres became an accomplished concert violinist, and for a number of years served as teacher of violin on the staff of the Mannheim Conservatory, as well as playing in the wellknown local orchestra.

Apart from the early influence of the governess, mentioned above, her Christian life received definite direction through a visit to the Christian summer resort of "Schoenblick," in Wuerttemberg. According to her own words,—"it was there, in the spiritual atmosphere of that Christian Home in the pinetree covered hills, that God gave my way a new turn, and my life a new aim."

THE AULER FAMILY

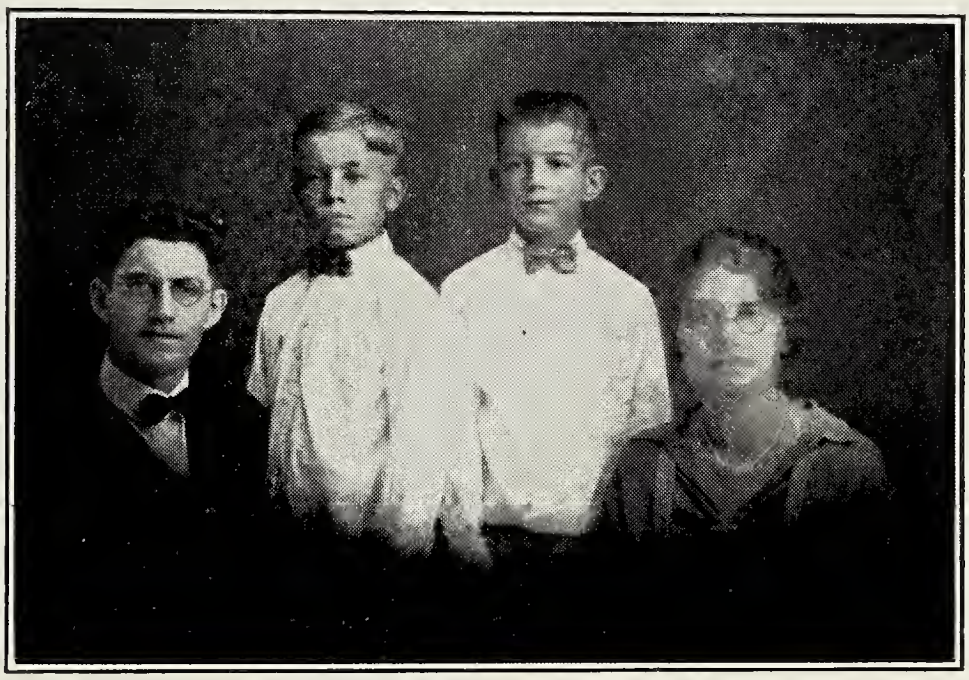
Mrs. H. Auler, (Louise Auler), a daughter of Rev. F. W. Esser, deceased, was born in St. Louis, Missouri, where her father served in Eden Evangelical Church, and later in Trinity Evangelical Church. After a high school education, she was employed in a railroad office, doing at the same time Sunday school work and attending a night school for Christian workers at the St. Louis Y. W. C. A. Later the then Miss Esser assisted in the newly organized work of the Evangelical Social Center, now Caroline Mission, the City Mission of the St. Louis Evangelical Churches.

The writer, Harold N. Auler, was born in Oshkosh, Wis., and after the death of his father attended St. Paul's Evangelical Church, Rev. Theo. Irion, pastor. Having left school at an early age it was necessary to prepare for Elmhurst College by studying a year with Rev. Irion. Four years at Elmhurst and three at Eden Seminary were especially made happy through the decision to "become, if God permit, a foreign missionary." At Eden, the very first year gave me the opportunity to get into active Christian work at the Evangelical Social Center (Caroline Mission) where, each Saturday and all summer, the work of the Bible Craft school gave contact with boys and girls in need of the Gospel. The second year at Eden Theological Seminary the work at the Social Center was given into my charge.

As the world war made it impossible for me to go to India, the City Mission Board asked me to become the first pastor of the Mission; and as Honduras was not yet a field of our church, (though the Lord was already at work in some hearts about it), the offer was accepted on condition that I be released as soon as the way to India should open. The new home of the city mission was made ready for the work during my first summer as pastor, and in the fall Mrs. Auler and I began our married life, not, as we had planned, in India, but in the Caroline Mission of St. Louis.

There we waited for the opening of the way to India, but the Lord was pointing to the south, and after about two years of working and waiting we, with our twin boys, left for Honduras after a consecration service at Zion Evangelical Church, Indianapolis, which church adopted us as its missionaries to Honduras. The pastor of Zion Church, Rev. F. Daries, and the writer were room-mates at Elmhurst. Departure for Honduras February, 1921.

The twins born Dec. 4, 1919, have a part in this work too. As you pray for the workers include them, because many homes have been opened to us by their presence. When they arrived in



The Auler Family

Honduras, as babies unable to walk, they attracted attention as American twins; and now, because they talk both Spanish and English, they are the means of many conversations with the native people.

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From the beginning of the work the wife has been very helpful, acting as "Ma" Auler, the mother especially of the unmarried workers in our Honduranean field; and Bro. Auler has found his especial opportunity of labor in the evangelistic field. Their first home furlough took place in 1926 after extensive touring among our churches, beginning with those in California in February. After his return Bro. Auler was appointed chairman of the Honduras Conference. To close in his own words:

We covet the prayer of all who read these lines knowing that the Lord does work through prayer.

MISS ANNA D. BECHTOLD

I was born at Wichita, Kan., where my father was located at the time as Evangelical pastor. Mine was the lot of most pastor's children, that of making frequent changes of residence, so that my education was begun in one town, continued in another, and culminated in a third.

At the time of my confirmation I accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as my Saviour. It was during these years of my impressionable age that I was thrown into daily contact with some city missionaries who lived near us. Returned missionaries from foreign fields also found a welcome in our home, so that my interest in missions was fostered through them. In fact, I cannot remember when my attention was first drawn to missions, as father himself was a returned missionary from India. Naturally we children were intensely interested in the curios and idol pictures which he possessed. Then, too, every year we had a mission festival in the church where father was pastor. Many a time I wept at hearing of the need in India; yet I never felt myself called to go there, even though father went twice during the years that I was in school.

After graduating from the University of Kansas in 1913 I took a position as teacher in a high school. It was during this first year of teaching that, in a series of revival meetings, I experienced one of those spiritual crises that calls for a reconsecration of one's life and a full surrender to Him.

It was not, however, until 1917, while I was a teacher of English in the Wichita (Kansas) High School, that I felt a new thrill of interest in missions, which resulted in a surrender to the call and an application to a mission board. As my call to the mission field came through a mission study class on South America conducted by the Methodist Church, I applied to the Board of that denomination for work in South America. Within three months of my application I had my appointment in Argentina, with travel permit granted.

Then came vacation and I went home. I told father of my desire, and he advised me to wait a year. I was heartsick, but I promised. I have never regretted that promise. That summer, upon the advice of my father, I went to the Elmhurst Summer Training School where I met consecrated men and women of our

denomination. My meeting with the chairman of our Foreign Mission Board was especially providential. After several talks with him, the Lord showed me that I was to work in my own denomination. Nevertheless my call was to Latin America,—I was convinced of that, and our Church at that time had no work among our neighbors to the South. This was a real test of faith. The news of the visit of Mr. Guzman, of Honduras, to Rev. Menzel was a real ray of hope to me.

Meanwhile I continued teaching until the fall of the year 1919, when I was impressed with the need of further training in definite Christian service and in the Bible. Consequently I resigned my position, and in January of the following year I went to Chicago, to enter the Moody Bible Institute.

When finally my marching orders came, I was eager to press forward, and finally, on January 23, 1921, I was commissioned by Dr. John Baltzer for foreign mission service in Honduras, at Salem Church, Wichita, Kansas. On February 1, I left my home and family in Kansas City, Mo., for the South. On February 14, Mr. and Mrs. Auler and boys, whom I had joined in New Orleans, and I landed in Puerto Cortez, Honduras, and two days later we went to our field of labor in San Pedro Sula.

Miss Anna D. Bechtold

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Miss Bechtold, together with Mr. and Mrs. Dewald and Mr. and Mrs. Auler, has been identified with the very beginnings of our Honduranean work, in the development of which the day school and the boarding home for girls opened by her have played such an important part. While Betania, the home for the girls, is now being superintended by others, Miss Bechtold is the efficient principal of the school. Her home furloughs took place in 1925 and 1929.

ELISE A. GOEPFARTH

How I wish that my interest in missions had begun as early as my interest in teaching! The latter began at the age of six, when it was my custom to gather the whole neighborhood of children on the front porch of my home, and teach them, day by day, the things that I learned at school. My real teaching experience began during my last term at High School, coaching my fellow-students in mathematics and English grammar. I had planned to go to college; God deferred my going for a year, sending me instead to an Art School and later to the Richmond Kindergarten Training School. I loved it there and forgot all about going to college—at least for the time being.

Miss Elise A. Goepfarth

In 1917 came a call to kindergarten and settlement work in the Cotton Mill village of Lynchburg, Va.—I can well remember the heart yearning of that first winter. I was only nineteen; it was all so new to me, the sin, the sorrow, the suffering in a world that before had seemed so beautiful. My heart went out to the mill people with love and yearning; I gave up all my time to them, I spent vacation after vacation in study, at Columbia University and elsewhere, I sacrificed time and strength, but the one thing needful I did not give—I did not have it myself!

Then, soon after, I can hardly realize that it has been so short a time, my heavenly Father began in a way that He alone can do, to teach and to lead. Very gently, but firmly, He led me to see that social service is but a cleaning up on the outside, a something that cannot cleanse the heart of man. For the first time I seemed to understand that in Christ alone there is salvation, in Christ alone there is cleansing.

I often wonder why God did not permit me to stay in Lynch-

burg, to stay and begin anew. Perhaps it was to further strengthen and enlighten that He called me immediately into foreign service, that He bade me to leave and follow on.

Two years of training followed, one at Moody Bible Institute, and one as assistant to my own pastor in Richmond, Va. In September, 1923, God led me forth to Honduras, going before me all the way.

The above was written in 1924.

Miss Goepfarth entered on her second term of service after her home furlough was completed in March, 1928. Part of her time is devoted to teaching and supervising some classes in the week-day school of the mission; but her main task is visiting homes and conducting children's meetings in several sections of the town of San Pedro and some nearby villages.

WALTER H. HERRSCHER

"Born not for ourselves alone, but for the whole world." This motto we had chosen, upon our marriage, for the new home we were establishing.

The full import of these words had come to be recognized through a development in my home; and as many before me have laid tributes at the feet of their mothers, I am only another to be stepping in the same path.

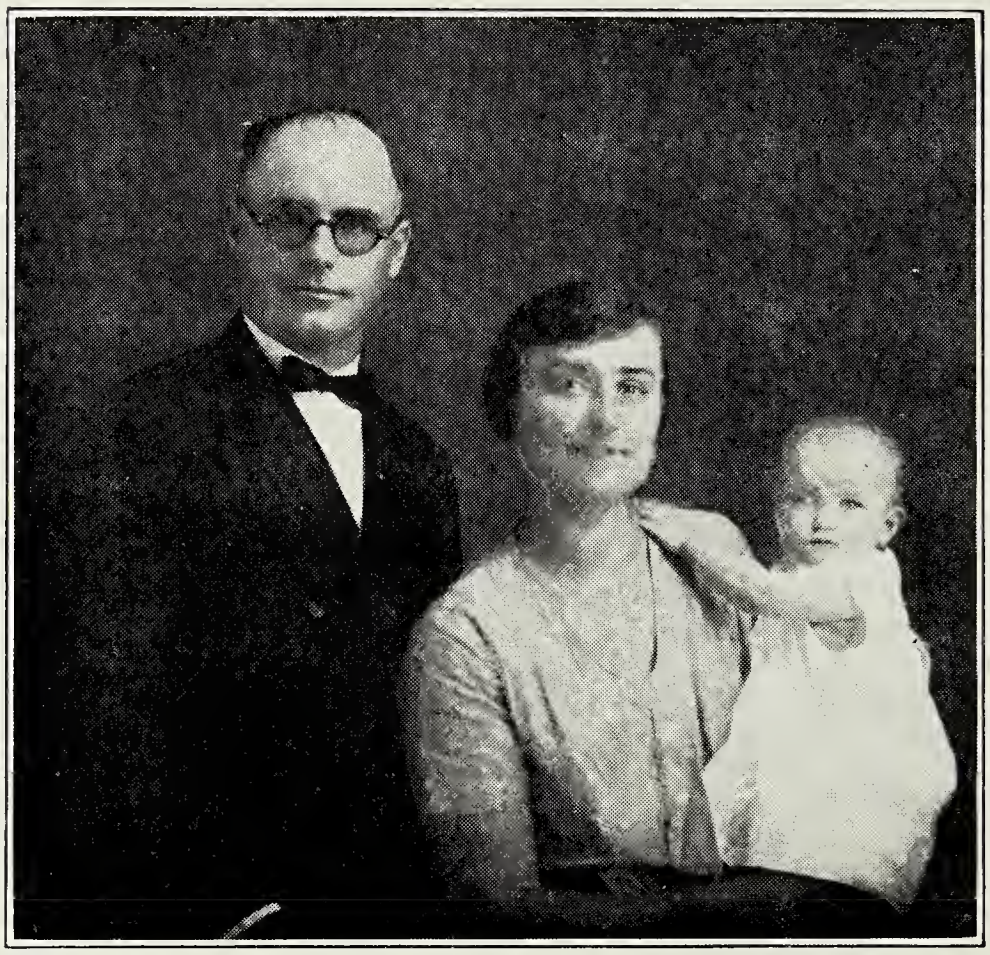
As a boy, I did not always like the burning sparks of the forge and anvil in father's smithy, but yet I believe a spiritual forging was also in process during this period of my life.

After completion of grammar school, my choice of vocation leaned toward the mechanical. In this I was great encouraged when my employer sent me to the David Ranken Jr. School of Mechanical Trades, with all my expenses paid. However, my inner life was never stilled, and I felt I had not found my right place of labor. Peace came when I entered Elmhurst College. Naturally my next step was to go to Eden Theological Seminary, from which I graduated in 1924.

My first field of labor was in Sacramento, California. My life's companion entered this work with me. We greatly enjoyed our work in California, part of which was assisting in the development of the Golden West Evangelical Leadership Training School.

Mrs. Herrscher was the first president of the Federation of Evangelical Women's Organizations of Northern California.

Mrs. Herrscher (née Martha Fiedler), also of St. Louis, was a business woman, having graduated from St. Louis University in Commerce and Finance. But the Lord leads in His own way and she, too, followed the inner urge and left her lucrative business career to enter the Biblical Seminary in New York, to prepare herself for His work. She completed her course in that seminary in the department of Missions in 1923. Her interest in missions dates back to the days of her confirmation instruction,



Mr. Herrscher, Mrs. Herrscher, Joanne

under the Rev. Geo. M. Poth of Nazareth Evangelical Church, St. Louis, who had been a missionary on the Gold Coast in Africa. Rev. Poth had been a co-worker in Africa of the Rev. H. A. Dewald, the first missionary on our Honduras field.

Both Mrs. Herrscher and myself are children of Nazareth Evangelical Church, St. Louis, I having been ordained to the ministry, as well as both of us having been confirmed, married and commissioned as missionaries from that church.

In the fall of 1926 the call come from the Foreign Mission Board for service in Honduras, and on October 4, 1927, we landed at Puerto Cortez, Honduras.

We have just recently completed our first year of service and are in charge of Bethel, the Boys' Boarding Home, at San Pedro. Ours is a great responsibility, as well as joy, to lead our large family of boys to come to know Him, which is to love Him and to serve Him.

Little Joanne Martha, our precious first born, came to us May 10, 1928 and had her first travel experience when, two weeks later, an airplane brought her with her mother from Tela to San Pedro.

LOUISE KURZ

Louise Kurz

It is indeed wonderful to note the way in which God calls out and leads forth His children, step by step, to accomplish His great work.

Louise Kurz was born in Louisville, Ky., and received her education in the Louisville public schools.

When a very small child, she attended Sunday school, but for about six years received no further public religious instruction. One day, one of her schoolmates invited her to attend the catechetical instruction class at St. Paul's Evang. Church. She accepted the invitation, became a member of the class, and was confirmed the next year by the Rev. F. Mehl. A few years later she became a teacher in St. Paul's Sunday school.

Her interest in missions began through the reading of mission leaflets and missionary articles in the Church and Sunday school papers. However, her call to service came while listening to Rev. and Mrs. Gass speak in one of the Louisville churches on Mission Work in India. At the close of the service, she spoke to her pastor about her desire to consecrate her life to missionary work. Her pastor advised her to take Bible training in some train-

ing school, and after getting the consent of her parents, she made application at the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. She graduated from that institution and then received a call from St. Paul's church, Louisville, to become their parish worker. This call was accepted, and she worked in her church for three years. While she enjoyed her work very much, she always hoped and prayed that, some day, the way would open for her to enter the foreign field.

Then Rev. H. Dewald, missionary from Honduras, visited Louisville in 1925, and spoke in St. Paul's church. That morning, God spoke to the Pastor as well as the parish worker, for at the close of the service, the former said to Miss Kurz, "After having heard Mr. Dewald's message, I feel convinced that St. Paul's church should have a missionary in Honduras." Miss Kurz's answer was, "I am willing to go."

The pastor spoke to his congregation about the matter, and the people unanimously agreed to stand behind any one of their young men or women who would say, "Here am I, send me."

Miss Kurz was called by our Foreign Mission Board for service in Honduras in the fall of 1926, was commissioned in St. Paul's, Louisville, Nov. 28, and sailed for the field in January, 1927.

BERTHA M. SCHEIDT

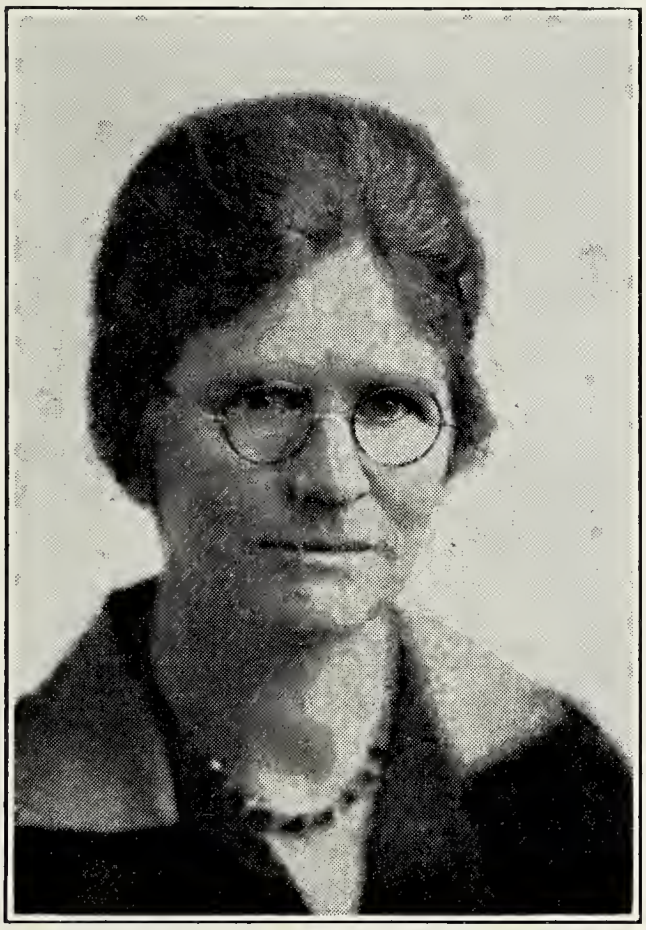
No one ever met another life without being touched thereby, for good or for ill. When I was a little girl my deaconess sister, through her life lived for the Master, created within me the desire to do Christian work. Eight long years, however, went by before I was ready to say, "Here am I, Lord, send me wherever Thou wouldst have me go."

It was in my senior year at High School that my future type of work became evident, that of teaching in the Van Wert Public Schools. I had forgotten about my desire to serve the Master, but He had not forgotten, for He led me forth step by step, preparing me for the very work I found to do later in the foreign field. My three years in the public schools left me still restless and looking for something better.

The year 1915 found me enrolled in the Teachers' College of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. In 1917 I graduated from that

college and returned to Van Wert, Ohio, to teach in Junior High. Still there was that unrest. I went to Connersville, Indiana, to teach, and it was while there that I made the decision that was to change my whole future career—I decided to visit my deaconess sister then doing Christian work in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

It was in the year 1920 that I took that trip west. It was in the spiritual atmosphere of that place that the Lord reminded me of my early desire so long repressed. I decided to enter Moody Bible Institute that same fall, but it was not so to be. Satan is ever ready to thwart every purpose of the Master to win recruits for His service. Was I discouraged? No. The year 1921 found me enrolled in Moody, and the year 1923 a graduate again, this time ready to go where the Lord should choose to send me. The death of my father in 1923 necessitated my going back home to teach again in Junior High. That was a hard year of living my life over again in my "Jerusalem"; that was a blessed year in gaining prayer helping friends to strengthen me later on the field.



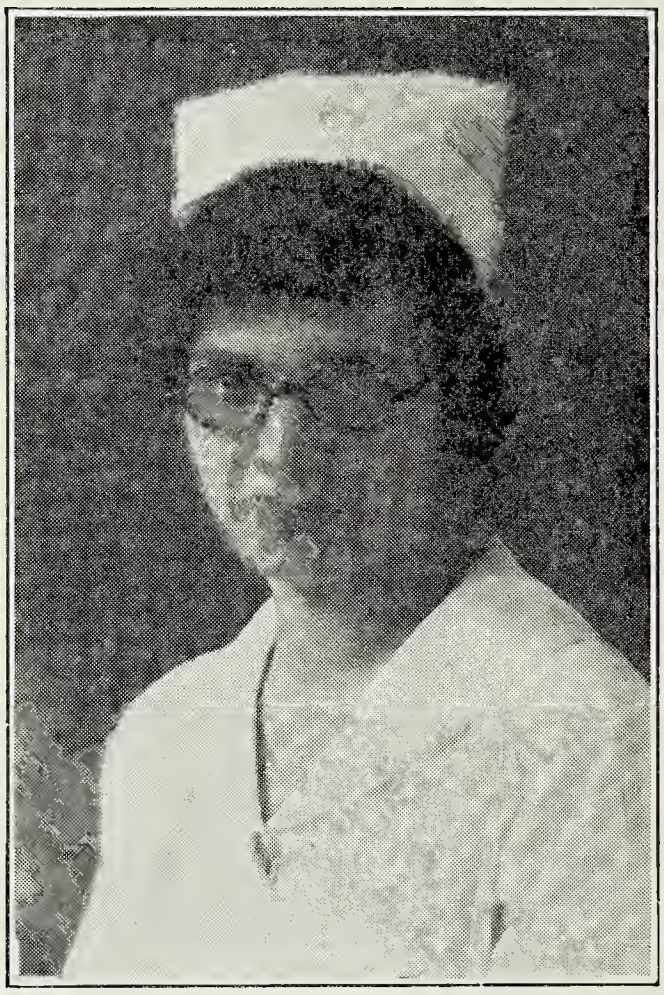
Bertha M. Scheidt

One day in 1924 a letter came from the secretary of our Foreign Mission Board, asking me if I cared to go to Honduras. I had said nothing to the Board about my desire to go to this field. Surely it was the Lord's leading. The day I went to meet the Board I picked from my promise box, "Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it." He did do it and He has done it, for the fall of the year 1924 found me a missionary teacher in our own Evangelical Mission School in Honduras, C. A., and this year, 1929, finds me a furloughed missionary eagerly looking forward to my return to the field to take up the work which I so reluctantly left some months ago.

As the old year went out and the new year came in, I read

from my "Daily Light,"—"There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed." I thought of Honduras. Truly there is yet very much land to be possessed for the Saviour there. May the years to come make me more and more faithful in helping Him to possess that land.

SISTER HULDA M. STURM



Sister Hulda M. Sturm

Hulda M. Sturm was born July 18, 1897, as the daughter of Pastor and Mrs. C. F. Sturm, at Emmaus near Marthasville, Mo. She grew up in a Christian home and, encouraged by her parents to assist in the work of the Institution for Epileptics and Feeble-minded, of which her beloved parents have charge, she early learned the meaning of service. Desiring to serve suffering humanity, she responded to the call for full-time service. In the fall of 1915 she entered the Deaconess Home and Hospital in St. Louis, for special training. After a four year course in Deaconess' and Nurses' work, she was consecrated as Deaconess, passed the State Board Examination for Nurses and was recognized as a registered nurse. Was engaged in Hospital work for eight years. Served St. James Ev. Church in St. Louis, as parish-deaconess for five years. Graduated from the Brookes Bible Institute in 1925.

God has filled her heart with joy in ministering to the sick and the poor, and her great desire has been and is today to serve those who are in need.

Reading and hearing of the distress of the sick and afflicted in Honduras, who often cannot call a physician to their homes, she felt constrained to offer her services in bringing to these suffering ones comfort and healing for both body and soul. She ap-

plied to the Mission Board and in April, 1928 received a call for nursing work in Honduras. On Sept. 9, 1928 she was commissioned at St. Peter's Evangelical Church of St. Louis, this church having adopted her as their own missionary. Sailed for Honduras from New Orleans on Sept. 17, and arrived in San Pedro on September 21.

God has lead, step by step—and here in Honduras has opened the door for work unto the sick and the poor, unto those suffering because of sin, and because they do not know Him, the Great Physician. What a privilege to know—to serve—and to proclaim Him, "who came, not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many."

LOUISE VORDENBERG

"He led them forth by the right way—so He bringeth them unto their desired haven."

I was born at Cincinnati, Ohio. It was there that I spent the happy days of my childhood as one of a large family, and grew to womanhood.

My confirmation was the beginning of my Christian experience, although I did not fully realize the importance of my decision at that time. The Lord worked in my heart and life slowly, leading me gradually into a deeper spiritual life. My interest in church work increased, and it soon became my chief concern during my spare time. Our "Young People's Society" was changed to a "Christian Endeavor Society," which caused a great development spiritually, as well as in leadership, to myself and others. I attended as many Young People's Conventions as possible, which were times of great inspiration and joy to me.

I entered my business career at the age of seventeen, and worked for six years at Accounting and Bookkeeping. During this period I attended two years of night high school, graduating from the Commercial Course. A little later I took part in a class in Spanish at the University of Cincinnati, during evening hours about six months, having no definite purpose in mind, however, at the time.

Although all of this kept me quite busy, I was not satisfied. Then the truth came to me, during a dark and heart-searching

experience in my life, that my service was not wholly "as unto the Lord," but mostly of "self." It was at a missionary meeting during the "Forward Movement" at my home church (Price Hill Evangelical), while we were singing the song "I gave My Life for thee, what hast thou given for Me?" that I answered and surrendered all, "Here am I, send me."

I then began reading missionary books such as "Ann of Ava," "J. Hudson Taylor" and many other short stories and tracts which my pastor supplied from time to time. I made application to our Foreign Mission Board and was advised to attend a Bible school for training. Looking over several schools, the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago was selected, and there I spent two and a half of the most happy years of my life. The Bible became a new and living Book to me, and my love for my Saviour became more real. I graduated in April, 1923, but continued my studies there in the Mission Course until August.

Louise Vordenberg

I was at home until October, when the Lord answered prayer for guidance as to what my next step should be. The answer came in the form of a letter from Rev. P. A. Menzel, who was in Honduras at that time, taking a survey of our mission work there. He wrote that God had opened up the way for another worker in the home of a gentleman in Birichichi, about fifty miles from our Station in San Pedro. This gentleman, Señor Garcia, desired a Christian teacher for his own boys and girls and the children of his employees. On November 21, 1923, I was accepted by our Foreign Mission Board to fill the position as teacher for the girls of this native home, and, just two months later, January 21, 1924, I set sail from New Orleans.

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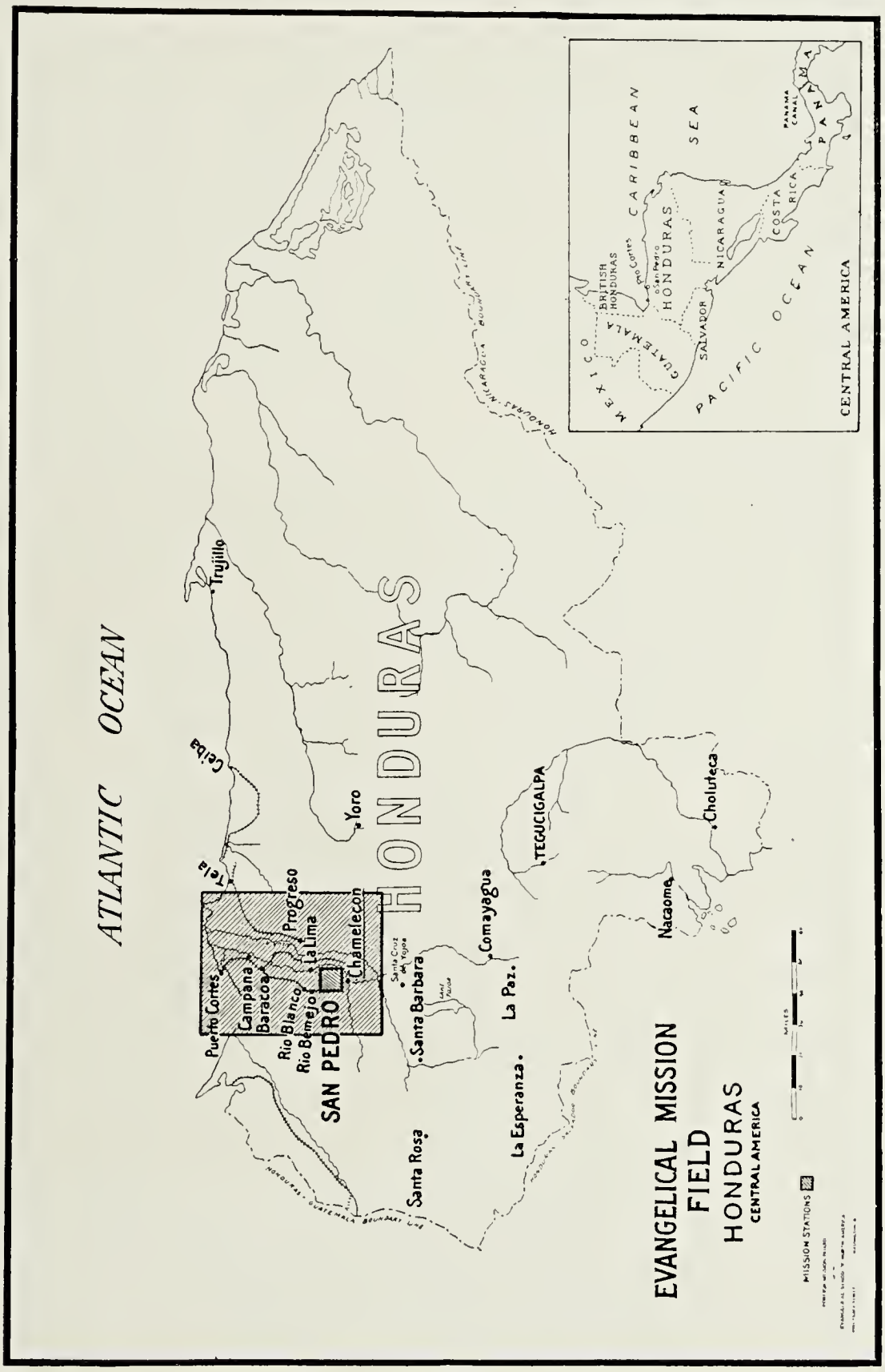
It so happened that the appointment at the Birichichi planta-

tion lasted only a few months. Meanwhile, however, the work at San Pedro had grown to such an extent that Miss Vordenberg, and the Andreses as well, were greatly needed there by midsum-



mer of 1924. Since that time Miss Vordenberg has helped in the school, in the Betania Home for girls, in visiting and conducting children's meetings, also in village work. Her first home furlough brought her a serious surgical operation, but she was able to return to the field after eleven months, and arrived in San Pedro for the second time in October, 1928.

One of her favorite texts is John 15: 16, "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you and ordained you that ye should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should remain.

LITTLE MISSIONARIES IN THE MAKING

Several of them, the mission kiddies, are shown in photos with their parents. Of several others no photos were available. A few are herewith reproduced on the next page. They are the three of the Davis children, Elisabeth Koenig and little Hindu friend, Auler twins, Eugene Koenig, Paul Feierabend. What do you think of these? Are they not the dearest ever? This is the way they looked in 1924.

Saying that they are missionaries in the making is not stating it altogether correctly. In many ways they are fulfledged little helpers, already,—

1. *As assistants of their parents, in the missionary homes,* in that they cheer them in many a lonely hour and serve as a divine compensation for the sacrifice of having left home, and home conditions, and homeland behind.

2. *As little witnesses,* representatives of Christian childhood, appealing to the hearts of men, helping to establish a human contact between the people and their missionaries. "Our two little boys," writes a father, "have helped in numerous cases, to attract the attention of people, men and women. At meetings they help in the singing, and the other children quickly follow their example; without any effort they, too, quickly raise their voices in praise of our Saviour."

3. *As unconscious pleaders with us people in the home churches.* Little hands have a strong beckoning power. "Come and follow us. Support the work, into the midst of which we have been taken. Let us missionary children remind you of the great Christless childhood. It is so unspeakably numerous and precious. It is still waiting to be led into its own!"

Some of the erstwhile mission kiddies are already grownup workers,—Miss Anna Jost in home mission service in Germany, Mrs. Feierabend as the wife of the station missionary at Khariar. Herbert Gass will soon finish his studies in the U. S. with a view of returning as a medical missionary to the land of his birth, India.

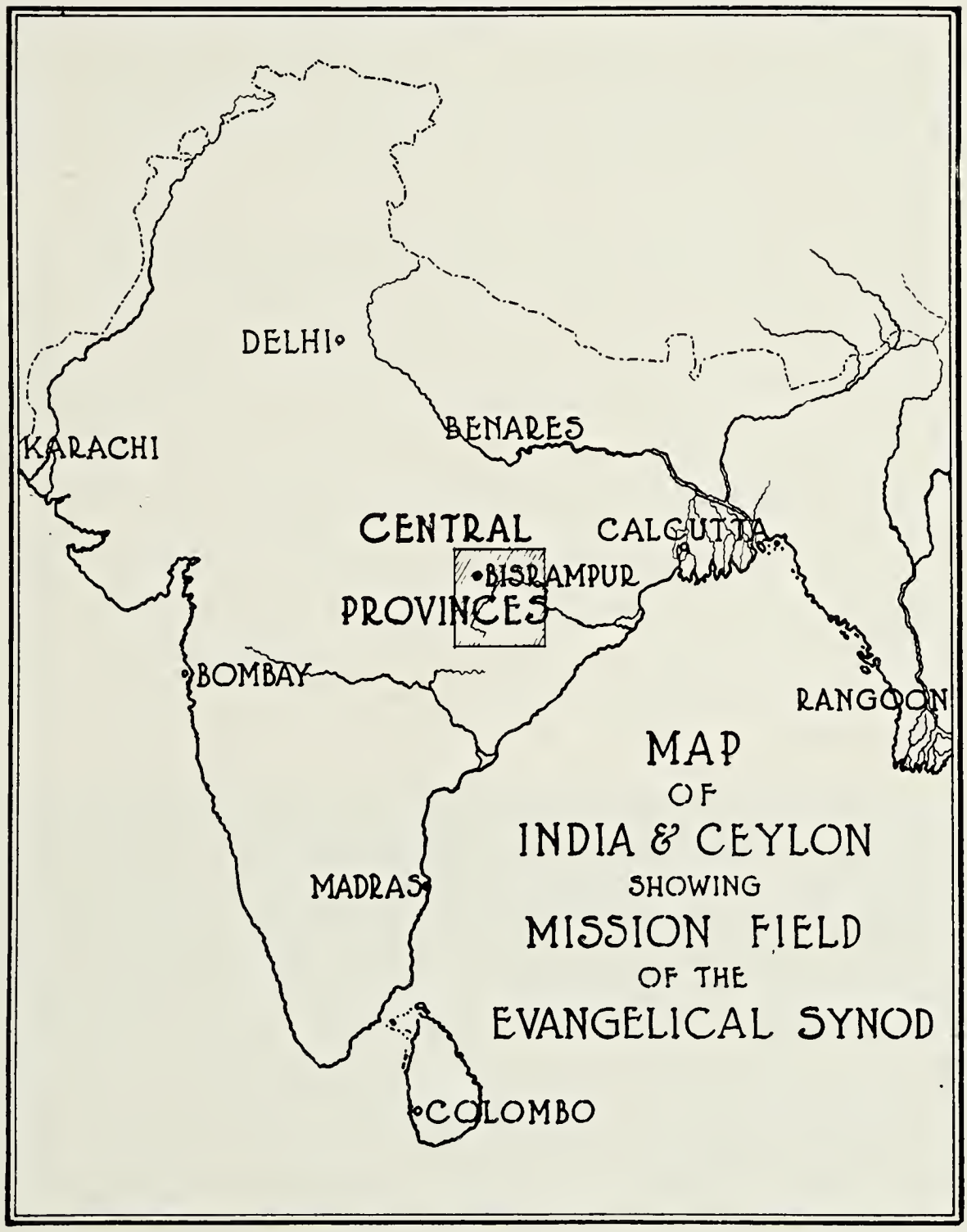
CLOSING REMARKS BY THE BOARD

The foregoing sketches, through the very manner in which they had to be gathered, are very fragmentary and imperfect. The notes had to be furnished in most cases by the missionaries themselves. And several of the latter declared, at the outset, that they could write only with the greatest of diffidence. Their modesty permitted them to supply only a few bare and external facts which offer us little of what we would like to convey to the reader—an impression of their inward missionary spirit, their devotion, their willingness to sacrifice, their growing, deepening love for souls, their longing to see the entire population of our fields permeated with and renewed under the life-giving power of the Gospel.

But if the missionaries cannot point to these qualities, the Board can do so for them. If it is done briefly it is done all the more emphatically. The members of the Board are a unit in giving the very highest endorsement to every one of our workers. We are graciously blest in the personnel of our men and women in the field. Every one of them, it can be truly said, has the call from on high. Every one sees his or her life-work in what has been given them to do, and furthermore, there is not a one among them who does not consider the work a privilege and evidence of the Master's loving grace. Several of them gave up well paying positions which they were holding when the call came to them, and all of them would have found much more congenial surroundings in case they had labored in our own country. But there is no regret in their hearts. Quite the contrary. "No one need thank us for being and remaining here; we are the ones who must daily thank our Lord for letting us participate in the blessed work of calling the people here into fellowship with Him, the Son of God." That is their thought.

If the reader finds that some of the above sketches are mere skeletons and frameworks of possible biographies, let him fill in and supply the skeletons with flesh and blood, by continually following up in our publications the doings of our missionaries, their preaching and teaching, traveling and witnessing, praying and burden-bearing, standing fast in all patience and under all sorts of trials, forging ahead slowly but steadily. Our missionaries are carrying the campaign forward. Note in our annual reports how it is being done. *That is their true biography.* Look at our Indian

churches. Pointing to them our workers may say with Paul, 2 Cor. 3: 1-3 "Need we epistles of commendation to you or from you? *Ye* are our epistle, written in our hearts, known and read of all men."—In Honduras also two congregations represent the formation of a church body; the foundation of the right kind has been laid in which Jesus Christ is the chief cornerstone.



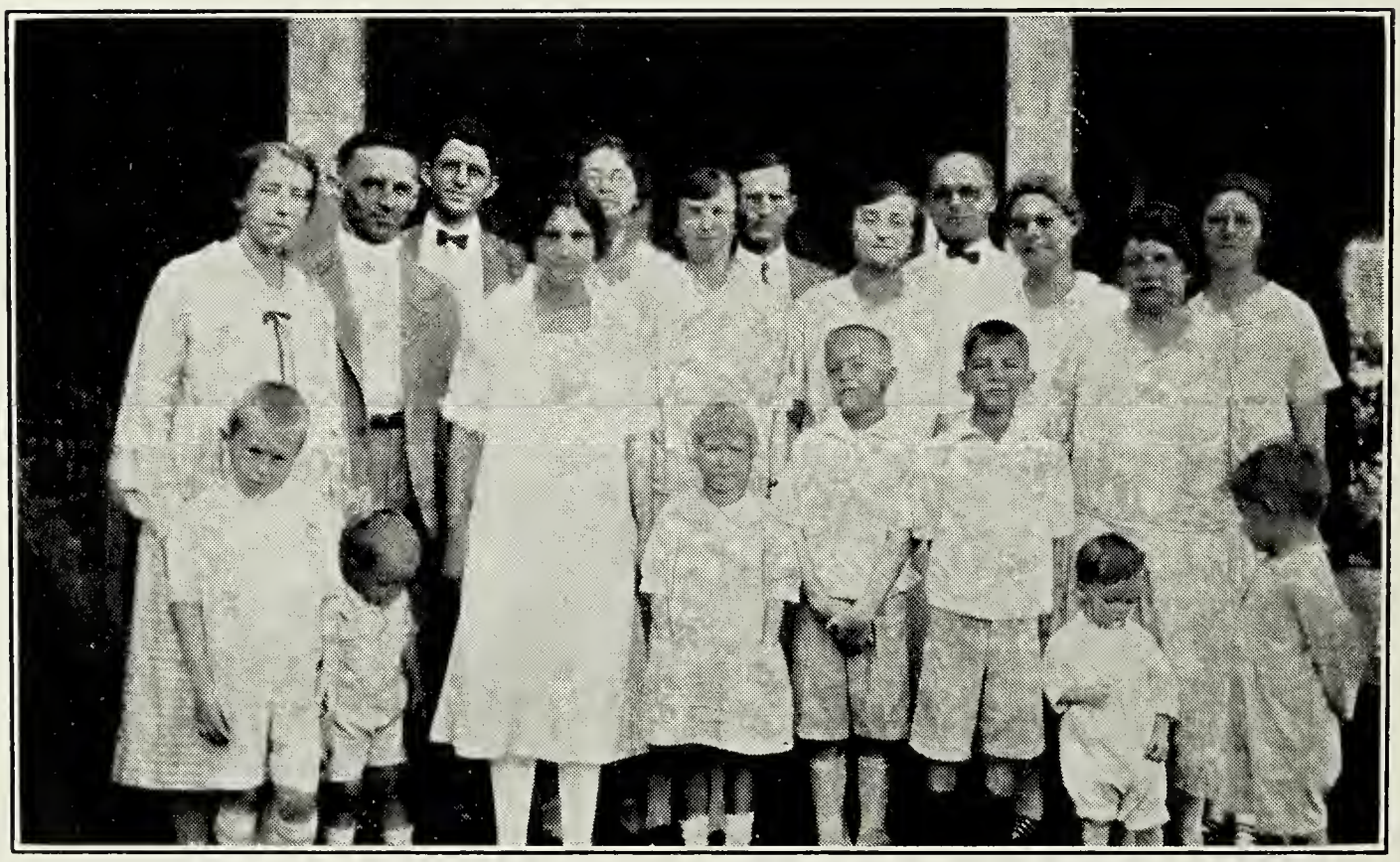
Our married missionary ladies have been spoken of in a merely cursory way, and only in a few instances. Lest their share in the work be underrated we may insert what Mrs. Nottrott, in a letter written some years ago, said regarding two of these helpers:

Mrs. Gass has superintended for the last 30 years, as part of her work, the Boys' Boarding Home, in Raipur, where the sons of

many of our village Christians receive an opportunity for further training. They attend the fine Raipur Mission Schools while they make their home at the Boarding Home. Mrs. Gass supervises not only matters of food and clothing and cleanliness but, in a true sense, mothers the boys. Their joys and sorrows, cares and interests are her own. She always finds time for personal interviews where they are sought, in fact a good part of her time is spent in daily visits directly in the Home. Her own sons always considered themselves the companions and playmates of the boys, and the latter have given many evidences of the true love with which they look up to her as their motherly guardian."

"I want to say that Mrs. Stoll likewise was a true mission-mother. She made a good many visits among the women in cases of sickness, helping to care especially for the babies of the catechists' wives. One of her regular activities was the teaching of needlework to the women, and through her regular attendance of both the Sunday service and daily devotional periods, she afforded a valuable object lesson to the Christians in general."

With slight variations as to the forms of labor, the same can be repeated today with regard to every one of our married ladies, in India and Honduras as well; and it was true during the many years of their former stay in India of Mrs. Julius Lohr, Mrs. Jost, Mrs. Nottrott and Mrs. Nussmann, Mrs. Goetsch, Mrs. Dewald.



Honduras missionaries, April, 1928. Miss Vordenberg & Sister Hulda missing

All of these have, in an effective way, supplemented the general work at each Station, and, in many cases, at the Outstations and on missionary tours. In the case of the Jost family the daughter Anna for several years gave the greater part of her time to the direct cause of the Mission.

All in all, we trust, a consideration of "Who's Who in our Mission," even in the imperfect way in which it is here made possible, ought to put every member of our Evangelical Church, more definitely than ever, back of our brethren and sisters at the front. We want to be united for effort, for prayer, for blessed results, *for victory.*

FORMER MISSIONARIES

Returned or engaged in the home field.

Mr. W. H. P. Anderson, India, Supt. Mission to Lepers, London.

Rev. H. A. Dewald and Mrs. Dewald, Honduras.

Miss W. K. Diefenthaler, India.

Rev. F. A. Goetsch and Mrs. Goetsch, India.

Mrs. Jost, India.

Miss Anna Jost, India.

Rev. H. H. Lohans, India.

Edith M. Melick, Honduras.

Rev. K. W. Nottrott and Mrs. Nottrott, India.

Rev. O. Nussmann and Mrs. Nussmann, India.

Mr. E. Tillmanns, M.D., India.

† IN MEMORIAM †

Died

Rev. Theo. Tanner.....Jan. 17, 1917, Dallas, Texas.
Rev. Julius Lohr.....April, 1904, Bisrampur, India.
Rev. Oscar Lohr.....May 31, 1907, Kawardha, India.
Miss Martha L. Graebe.....Sept. 24, 1919, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Rev. And. Stoll.....June 4, 1919, Simla, E. India.
Mrs. Lena Stoll.....Sept. 15, 1927, Raipur, India.
Rev. A. Hagenstein.....May 30, 1921, Parsabhader, India.
Rev. Joh. Jost.....April 3, 1929, Grossgarde, Pommern.

Birthday Calendar of Our Missionaries

January

8th.....Mrs. J. C. Koenig
11th.....Mrs. Th. Seybold
14th.....Miss Adele Wobus
17th.....Rev. Fr. Andres

February

5th.....Rev. A. F. Meyer
6th.....Rev. J. Gass, D.D.
11th.....Rev. J. H. W. Schultz
11th.....Mrs. M. P. Davis
12th.....Mrs. Wm. Baur, Jr.
19th.....Miss A. D. Bechtold
20th....Dr. Elmer H. Whitcomb
27th.....Miss Lydia Kies

March

1st.....Rev. Emil W. Menzel
4th.....Mrs. Milton C. Lang
9th.....Mrs. Th. H. Twente
30th.....Rev. J. C. Koenig

April

4th.....Mrs. Hubert Konrad
20th.....Rev. Hubert Konrad
21st.....Miss Hedwig Schaeffer
21st...Mrs. Elmer W. Whitcomb
28th.....Mrs. Emil W. Menzel

May

1st.....Rev. H. A. Feierabend
12th.....Miss D. S. Riechers
17th.....Miss Louise Kurz
31st.....Mrs. J. Gass

June

5th.....Miss Elise Kettler
7th.....Mrs. J. H. W. Schultz
12th.....Rev. W. H. Herrscher
13th....Miss Louise Vordenberg
16th.....Rev. H. N. Auler
29th.....Rev. Th. H. Twente

July

10th.....Mrs. H. N. Auler
18th.....Sister Hulda Sturm
20th.....Rev. M. P. Davis
29th....Miss Elise A. Goepfarth

August

4th.....Mrs. Fr. Andres
14th....Mrs. Helen Elslin Suger
23rd.....Rev. T. C. Seybold

September

5th.....Miss Bertha M. Scheidt
10th.....Mrs. M. P. Albrecht

October

7th.....Dr. Milton C. Lang
22nd.....Mrs. W. H. Herrscher

November

7th.....Rev. M. P. Albrecht
19th.....Mrs. H. A. Feierabend
23rd.....Rev. Wm. Baur, Jr.

December

4th.....Sister Minnie Gadt
8th.....Miss Anna Schichi
16th.....Mrs. Armin F. Meyer

How to Use This Pamphlet

Read it for yourself.

Hand it, with a hearty word of recommendation, to some one else.

Arrange for a Missionary GET-TOGETHER-MEETING.

The Board can supply you with some postcard pictures of quite a number of our missionaries. Put the names of our eight Main Stations on the left-hand side of a blackboard, leaving considerable space between the several names. On the right-hand side put the names of the Missionaries living on each of the Stations. As you distribute the postcard picture of one of the missionaries let one of the audience relate from memory the main points of the life story of that particular worker. Distribute another postcard, followed by the respective biography. After having given in this manner, some five or six sketches, announce a hymn, then hand each one present a copy of WHO'S WHO and let all follow the text of two more biographies read out verbatim by two good readers. Make an appeal for whole-hearted support of OUR WORKERS whom we now know so much better, let all read out aloud the names of the Stations and their respective missionaries, and offer definite and earnest prayer on their behalf. Explain the card "Program of Intercession" of which you ask every one to take a copy with them for home use, and close by singing: "Blest be the tie that binds," or some other Christian fellowship hymn.

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